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PROCEEDINGS.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. F. Farmer from Romans 8:31, after which the conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

On motion Elder P. D. Gold was chosen Moderator, and Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk, and Brother R. H. Boswell, Assistant Clerk.

On motion visiting brethren and messengers from Sister Associations were invited to seats with us.

Elders J. W. Gardner, W. B. Williams and T. C. Hart were appointed to occupy the stand today.

Elder J. W. Gardner preached from St. John 3:18, Elder W. B. Williams preached from St. John 14:31, Elder T. C. Hart preached from 1st Cor. 6:20.

Brethren Wm. Woodard and J. T. Hooks were appointed a committee on finance.

Letters were called for and read from 17 churches.

Petionary letters were called for. Letter from Sappony church read and received and Brethren J. R. Lindsey and J. W. Baker and E. B. Barnes the Messengers from said church were extended the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

Called for corresponding letters and messengers from Sister Associations:

From Contentnea—Minutes, Elder J. W. Gardner, H. L. Brake, Elder W. B. Williams Elders G. M. and J. S. Corbett.

From Little River—Minutes. F. C. Hamilton and L. P. B. Lee, Messengers, Elders J. H. Johnson and J. T. Coats and J. R. Jones, visitors.

From Kehukee—Minutes. I. W. Bass, Messenger. Elders J. W. Johnson, J. A. Shaw, Eld. G. W. Abrams and J. T. Pittman, visitors.

From Seven Mile—Minutes. Moses Lee, Messenger.

From White Oak—Minutes. Eld. Isaac Jones. Messenger.

From Mill Branch—Minutes. No Messenger.

From Baltimore—Minutes.

From Warwick—Minutes. Elder John McConnell, Messenger.

From Delaware—Minutes.

From Delaware River—None.

From Mayo—None.

From Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

From Lower Country Line—Minutes.

From Upper Country Line—Minutes.

From Salem—Minutes.

Appointed our next annual session to convene with the church at Contentnea, Wilson County, N. C., to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1912, at 11 o'clock a. m., Elder P. D. Gold to preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. C. Hooks to be his alternate.

The following brethren were appointed as messengers to Sister Associations with whom we correspond:

To Contentnea—Amos Hays, J. T. Lamm and J. R. Lindsey.

To Kehukee—J. T. Lamm and J. R. Lindsey.

To Little River—J. T. Lamm, Macon Brantley and J. W. Ellis.

To White Oak—Elder J. T. Collier and C. L. Burley.

To Upper Country Line—Elder P. D. Gold.

To Lower Country Line—Elder P. D. Gold and J. T. Lamm.

To Seven Mile—Elder G. W. Boswell and W. C. Boyett.

To Mill Branch—Elder P. D. Gold.

To Salem—Minutes.

To Baltimore—Minutes.

To Delaware—Minutes

To Delaware River—Minutes.

To Warwick—Minutes.

To Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

Appointed Elders Jordan, J. H. Johnson, John McConnell and Isaac Jones to preach at the stand on Saturday, also Elders J. T. Coats and Isaac Jones to preach at the stand on Sunday.

The Messengers were called and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

The Messengers appointed at our last Association to visit Sister Associations were called upon to make their reports.

Their reports were satisfactory and those who failed to attend were excused.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

Balance in hand from last year	$11.50	
Received from the churches this year	$77.50	
Voluntary con. from the congregation at this meeting	$17.25	
Total,		$106.25

Expenditures.

Printing minutes and postage	$20.00	
Allowed Clerk for his services	$10.00	
Given to visiting ministers	$76.25	
Total,		$106.25

Report was received and committee discharged.

Inasmuch as all of our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any Messenger from any church or Association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the Clerk, who is authorized to receive and record same.

Agreed that the Constitution and Rules of Decorum be printed with these minutes.

The Clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond and record one in our records.

The following Brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday:

Alford Joyner, T. J. Robbins and J. W. Pridgen.

Resolved that our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the Moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

The church at Goldsboro having stated in their letter to us at this time that they prefer that the time of holding our Association be changed to Friday, Saturday and first Sunday in September instead of as at present, upon motion it is agreed by us to refer this question of change to the several churches composing this Association with request that they state in their letters next year what time they desire

the Association to hold its annual sessions, whether any change at all and if so what and when.

These minutes were read and approved after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

ELDER P. D. GOLD, Moderator.

ELDER J. F. FARMER, Clerk.

R. H. BOSWELL, Assistant Clerk.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1911.

Preaching today by Elders Jordan Johnson, text, Saint John 14:6; J. H. Johnson, text, Saint John 6:35; John McConnell, text, Hebrews 10:16-25; J. A. Shaw, text, Saint John 6:9; Isaac Jones, text, Saint John 6:53.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22. 1911.

Preaching today by Elders J. T. Coats, text, Habakkuk, 1:13; and Isaac Jones, text, Zechariah 13:7.

The Moderator dismissed the Association, returning thanks to the Brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICE.

Aycock—Wm. Ricks, Fremont, N. C.
Beulah—A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.
Contentnea—F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3.
Creech's—W. J. Stancil, Kenly, N. C.
Cross Roads—C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.
Dudley—W. H. Burch, Mt. Olive, N. C.
Goldsboro—A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.
Healthy Plains—W. F. Boykin, Simms, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Lower Black Creek—Amos Hays, Wilson, N. C.
Memorial—W. T. Hales, Pikeville, N. C.
Mill Branch—T. J. Robbins, Sharpsburg, N. C.
Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C.
New Chapel—I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Peach Tree—W. C. M. Sykes, Spring Hope, N. C.
Scott's—I. A. Lamm, Lucama, N. C.

Toisnot—J. B. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Upper Black Creek—Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.
White Oak—H. S. Ward, Walstonburg, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Sappony—J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. 1.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, P. O. AND TIME OF HOLDING YEARLY MEETING.

Aycock's—Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., Sept. 4th, Sunday.
Beulah—Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., Sept. 3, Sunday.
Contentnea—Eld. G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, Oct. 3, Sunday.
Creech's—Elder J. T. Collier, Aug. 1, Sunday.
Cross Roads—Eld. J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., Sept. 4, Sunday.
Dudley—Bro. J. B. Roberts, Goldsboro, N. C., August 1, Sunday.
Goldsboro—Eld. J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1, Sunday.
Healthy Plains—Eld. G. W. Boswell, Aug. 2, Sunday.
Lower Black Creek—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Sept. 2, Sunday.
Memorial—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Oct. 1, Sunday.
Mill Branch—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C., August 1, Sunday.
Nashville—Elder M. B. Williford, Sept. 4, Sunday.
New Chapel—None.—Sept. 2, Sunday.
Peach Tree—Elder G. W. Abrams, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. 4, August 2, Sunday.
Scott's—Elder G. W. Boswell, Oct. 1, Sunday.
Toisnot—Eld. P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., Aug. 4, Sunday.
Upper Black Creek—Eld. G. W. Boswell, Sept. 4, Sunday.
White Oak—None.—August 1, Sunday.
Sappony—Elder M. B. Williard, Sept. 3, Sunday.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR P. O.

Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 4.
Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C.

Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Elder James S. Woodard, Wilson, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Bro. Jesse Barnes, Lucama, N. C.
Bro. R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Bro. Thomas Clark, Fremont, N. C.
Bro. Joshua B. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Bro. T. H. B. Pridgen, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Bro. J. T. Spencer, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

PREACHING BY THE MINISTERS AT VARIOUS PLACES.

Friday Night.

Elder John McConnell, text, Isiah 1-18.
Elder J. T. Collier, text, Psalms 30:5.
Elder J. T. Coats, text, 2nd Cor. 1:1 to 4.
Elder G. W. Boswell, text, Romans 8:1.
Elder John W. Gardner, Psalms 89:15.
Elder J. H. Johnson, text, Sol. Song 4:12.
Elder J. F. Farmer, text, Psalms 89:15-16.
Elder Isaac Jones, text, Joshua 24:15.
Bro. J. R. Jones, text, St. John 3:7.

Saturday Night.

Elder John McConnell, text, 1st John 5:21.
Elder Isaac Jones, text, Eph. 2:8.
Elder Jordan Johnson, text, 2nd Tim. 3:18.
Elder John W. Gardner, text, "Behold The Man."
Elder Jimmie Johnson, text, Matthew 5:3.
Elder J. T. Coats, text, not reported.
Elder T. C. Hart, text, Jer. 31:3.
Elder W. B. Williams, text, "Love."
Elder J. C. Hooks, text, not reported.
Bro. Jesse Barnes, text "Sol. Temple."
Bro. J. R. Jones, text, not reported.

VISITING MINISTERS.

Elder G. W. Abrams, N. C.; Elder G. M. Corbett, N. C.;

Elder J. T. Coats, N. C.; Elder J. S. Corbett, N. C.; Elder John W. Gardner, N. C., Elder T. C. Hart, N. C.; Elder Jordan Johnson, N. C.; Elder Jimmie Johnson, N. C.; Elder Isaac Jones, N. C.; Elder John McConnell, New York City; Elder John T. Pittman, N. C.; Elder W. B. Williams, N. C.; Elder John A. Shaw, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Bro. George Howard, N. C.; Bro. J. R. Jones, N. C.; Bro. Stone, N. C.

CONCLUSION

We feel that the Lord graciously blessed us at this meeting both temporally and spiritually. The weather was ideal, the deportment, behavior and attention of the large congregation was remarkably good, and the ministering brethren came to us in "The Fulness of The Blessing Of The Gospel Of Christ," proclaiming to us the "Unsearchable Riches "of Him who "Loved Us And Gave Himself For Us."

J. F. FARMER,
Clerk.

OBITUARY OF ELDER JONATHAN T. EDGERTON.

Elder J. T. Edgerton was born in Wayne County, near Pikeville, in the year ..... His parents were of the Quaker faith and he was raised under the strict discipline of that church.

At an early age he was married to Miss Penelope Yelverton, and moved to the little village of Pikeville, where he spent the remainder of his life in farming, which he pushed with great energy and judgment and made quite a success.

While a young man he united with the Masonic Order and it has often been said of him that he was one of the brightest Masons that belonged to his lodge and filled many of the principal offices of same. Yet, there was a "meat that he must eat that he knew not of," and when the call came, he put aside Masonry and all things that stood in the way and united with the church at Memorial, together with his wife, Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1874; was baptized by Elder P. D .Gold on the 3rd Sunday of that month. He served his church both as Clerk and Deacon.

The first Sunday in April, 1875, he was liberated to exercise his gift. The first Sunday in June, 1876 was ordained to the full work of the ministry, and was chosen pastor of his church (Memorial,) which position he held up to his death, which occurred at his home, April 10, 1897.

As a minister his gift was peculiar to itself. He seemed to be wonderfully endowed in dissecting and setting apart the old scripture and showing its consummation and fulfillment in the new; a profound thinker, a strong advocate of the fundamental principles of predestination and election, and Salvation by Grace, a doctrine that he very much loved and honored. Surely he was a great gift to the cause.

As a pastor he was faithful, earnest and wise, yet gentle and meek, humbly performing the duties of same without any effort to "lord it over God's heritage." He was wise in counsel, esteeming others better than himself, loving the membership, and we are safe in saying that the membership esteemed him and loved him greatly. His was a life well spent for the upbuilding of the cause he loved so much. We will mention just here that after the death of Elder John D. Scott, he served as Moderator of the Black Creek Associa-

tion up to his death, and our observation was that he did that with the same wisdom and meekness that characterized his Christian life.

As a citizen his character was blameless and beautiful. Too great to harbor malice or envy, not desiring to build upon another man's misfortune; in a true sense of the word was an elder brother to all mankind. His advice was often sought, and also help by the needy, and none were turned empty away. He was careful and painstaking in advice and whenever he spoke his words had weight. His life was a benediction both temporal and spiritual to the community in which his lot was cast.

ELDER J. F. FARMER,
J. T. HOOKS,
Committee.

Oct. 20, 1911.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Art. 1. This association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The moderator and the clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the moderator when he is about to make his speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the association.

Art. 8. No member of this association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in the time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this association shall address another in any term or appellation than that of brother

Art. 10. The moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives light on the subject except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this association shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as often as the association requires.

Art. 12. The moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the association be equally divided.

Art. 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of the rules shall be reproved by the association as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. ARTICLES OF FAITH.

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in unison. We therefore propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose, and upon producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed: Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power, to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor they shall infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The association shall have a moderator and clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messengers, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the association and manifested by the moderator giving the members the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the association shall be twice read, and if there be a majority for its being debated it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of this association. The best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of the association.

Art 11 We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer appointed by the association, who shall be accountable to the association for all monies by him received and paid out according to the direction of the association.

Art. 12. The minutes of this association when printed, shall be regularly filed by him in a book kept for the use of the association. He shall endeavor to have said book present at each association.

Art. 13. The minutes of this association shall be read and corrected if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the association rises.

Art. 14. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 15. The association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches, 2, to preserve inviolably a chain of communion among the churches, 3, to give the

churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for an association fund to any purposes strictly connected with this association; 6, to appoint any member or members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry with may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this union.

Art. 16. We will not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades, nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our association establishing societies for the collection of money, or who may himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible, Tract, or Sunday School union societies, nor advocates or theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Names of Messengers.	Rec. by Baptism.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	To. No. in Fellow.	Contributions.
Aycock's	Elder J. C. Hooks, W. G. Smith	1					1	76	8.00
Beaulah	J. Pittman, A. B. Atkinson, J. H. Evans	11					3	80	3.00
Contentnea	J. B. Smith, W. C. Boyett, Benj. Renfrow	3				1		108	5.00
Creech's	J. B. Batten, Elder J. T. Collier	4	1				2	32	2.00
Cross Roads	C. L. Gurley, D. Holloman				1			32	3.00
Dudley	None.								1.00
Goldsboro	H. F. Pate, A. H. Toler	7	4					27	15.00
Healthy Plains	W. M. Boykin.	1	1				1	41	3.00
Lower Black Creek	A. Hays.					3		71	3.00
Memorial	W. T. Hales, J. T. Hooks, J. B. Pearce	5				1	1	71	8.00
Mill Branch	J. R. Luper, T. J. Robbins, A. Joyner						1	41	2.00
Nashville	A. J. Price, G. W. Womble							30	2.00
New Chapel	C. L. Gurley,, J. R. Hooks.							26	3.00
Peach Tree	G. W. Stallings, W. C. M. Sykes, Macon Brantly							20	1.50
Scott's	Jesse Barnes, Lazarus Lamm, J. W. Ellis	1	2			3	1	73	3.00
Toisnot	Elder P. D. Gold and brethren Wm. Woodard, J. W. Thorn	1		1	2			112	8.00
Upper Black Creek	W. R. Barnes, Jas. Overman	17			1	1	2	108	5.00
White Oak	J. Y. Speight, W. M. Price, J. H. Gardner						5	28	2.00
Sapphony	J. R. Lindsey, J. D. Baker, E. B. Barnes.							30	

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Proceedings.

The services were opened by praise and prayed by Elder Isaac Jones.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P.. D. Gold, from Acts 17:2-3.

Conference was opened by praise and prayed by Elder J. W. Gardner.

On motion Elder P. D. Gold was chosen moderator and Elder J. F. Farmer, clerk, who called to his assistance brethren Alford Joyner, W. C. Boyett and J. W. Lamm.

On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

Elders J. W. Gardner, G. M. Corbett and T. C. Hart were appointed to preach today: Elder J. W. Gardner preached from St. John 11:36. Elder G. M. Corbett preached from Roman 8:26-27. Elder T. C. Hart preached from Luke 10: 31.

Brethren J. T. Hooks and Wm. Woodard were appointed a committee on finance.

Letters were called for and read from 19 churches.

Petionary letters were called for—None presented.

Called for corresponding letters and messengers from sister associations:

Contentnea—Joseph Brake, H. S. Tyson, G. M. Corbett and minutes.

Little River—Moses Adams, F. C. Hamilton, J. D. Dupree, Visitors: E. E. Barber, J. H. Parker and minutes.

Kehukee—I. W. Bass, J. H. Green, Elder J. A. Shaw and minutes.

Seven Mile—W. J. Morgan, Elder W. G. Turner and minutes.

White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones and Ingram Davis.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—Elders J. F. Farmer, Isaac Jones and minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Delaware—Elders J. F. Farmer, Isaac Jones and minutes.

Delaware River—Elder Isaac Jones.

Mayo—None.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes..

Lower Country Line—G. C. Farthing—minutes.

Upper Country Line—Minutes.

Salem—Minutes.

Nolachucky—Minutes.

Appointed our next annual session to convene with the church at Creeches, in Johnston county, N. C. to commence Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1913, at 11 o'clock A. M. Elder P. D. Gold to preach the introductory sermon and Elder Jesse Barnes to be his alternate.

The following brethren were appointed as messengers to sister associations with whom we correspond:

To Contentnea—Amos Hayes, H. S. Ward.

To Kehukee—J. M. Burnette, J. B. Farmer.

To Little River—A. W. Thompson, U. W. Boykin.

To White Oak—Elder J. C. Hooks

To Upper Country Line—C. B. Hall, Elder P. D. Gold.

To Lower Country Line—W. H. Burch, C. B. Hall, P. D. Gold.

To Seven Mile—Elder G. W. Boswell, R. S. Scott.

To Mill Branch—R. L. Scott and Elder J. T. Collier.

To Salem—By minutes.

To Baltimore—By minutes.

To Delaware—By minutes.

To Delaware River—By minutes.

To Warwick—By minutes.

To Abbott's Creek—By minutes.

Appointed Elders J. S. Corbett, J. A. Shaw, Samuel McMillon and J. R. Wilson to preach Saturday and Elders W. G. Turner, Isaac Jones, J. W. Johnson and J. R. Wilson to preach Sunday.

The messengers were called and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister associations were called upon to report and those who failed to attend were excused.

The finance committee made the following report:

Received from the churches	$80.75
Voluntary contributions from the congregation at this meeting	8.00

$88.75

Expenditures:

Printing minutes and postage	$20.00
Allowed clerk for services	10.00
Given to visiting ministers	58.75
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Report received and committee discharged.

Inasmuch as all of our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the clerk, who is authorized to receive and record same.

Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

The clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond and record one in our records.

The following brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: J. M. Burnette, W. C. Boyette, Ben Rentfrow.

Resolved that our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

Regarding the question of change in the time of holding our association as suggested by the church at Goldsboro in their letter of last year and having submitted the same to the several churches with request that they state their mind concerning it in their letter this year, it is now agreed that the time of holding our association remain as it now is, viz: Friday, Saturday and 4th Sunday in October.

Resolved that Elder J. F. Farmer prepare an obituary of Elder James S. Woodard and Bro. J. T. Hooks also prepare one of Bro. Thomas Clark, to be submitted to us at our next session.

These minutes were read and approved after which the association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session with praise and prayer by the moderator..

ELDER P. D. GOLD, Moderator.
ELDER J. F. FARMER, Clerk.
BRETHREN ALFORD JOYNER, W. C. BOYETT AND I. A. LAMM, Assistants.

Saturday, October 26th, 1912.

Preaching today by Elders J. S. Corbitt, text, St. John 3:14-15; J. A. Shaw, text, St. John 17:1; Sam'l. McMillon, text, Matthew 2:8; J. R. Wilson, text, 1st Peter 2:9.

Sunday, October 27th, 1912.

Preaching today by Elders W. G. Turner, text, Song Sol. 2.14; Isaac Jones, text, Phillipians 2:12-13; J. W. Johnson, text, 2nd Timothy 2:19; J. R. Wilson, text, Phillipians 1:23.

The moderator dismissed the association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR P. O.

Elder Jesse Barnes, Lucama, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 4.
Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford Rocky Mount, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Bro. Joshua B. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Bro. T. H. B. Pridgen, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Bro. J. T. Spencer, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, P. O. AND TIME OF HOLDING QUARTERLY MEETING.

Aycock's—Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., Sept. 4th Sunday.

Beaulah—Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., Sept. 3d Sunday.

Contentnea—Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, Oct. 3d Sunday.

Creech's—Elder J. T. Collier, August 1st Sunday.

Cross Roads—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., Sept 1st Sunday.

Dudley—Bro. J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C., August 1st Sunday.

Goldsboro—Elder J. W. Gardner, June 1st Sunday.

Healthy Plains—Elder G. W. Boswell, August 2d Sunday.

Lower Black Creek—Elder J. C. Hooks, Sept. 2d Sunday.

Memorial—Elder J. C. Hooks, Oct. 1st Sunday.

Mill Branch—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C. August 1st Sunday.

Nashville—Elder M. B. Williford, Sept. 4th Sunday.

New Chapel—None.

Peach Tree—Elder Robert H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, Aug. 2d Sunday.

Sappony—Elder M. B. Williford, Sept. 3d Sunday.

Scott's—Elder G. W. Boswell, Oct. 1st Sunday.

Toisnot—Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., Aug. 4th Sunday.

Upper Black Creek—Elder G. W. Boswell, Sept. 4th Sunday.

White Oak—None.

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

Aycock's—William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.

Beulah—A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.

Contentnea—F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.

Creech's—W. J. Stancil,, Kenly, N. C.

Cross Roads—C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.

Dudley—W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C.

Goldsboro—A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.

Lower Black Creek—Amos Hays, Wilson, N. C.

Memorial—W. T. Hales, Pikeville, N. C.

Mill Branch—Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1.

Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C.

New Chapel—I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1.

Peach Tree—W. C. M. Sykes, Spring Hope, N. C.

Sappony—J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. 1.

Scott's—I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

Toisnot—Joshua B Farmer, Wilson, N. C.

Upper Black Creek—Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.

White Oak—H. S. Ward, Walstonburg, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

PREACHING BY THE MINISTERS AT VARIOUS PLACES.

Friday Night.

Elder J. T. Collier, text, Daniel 2:46-47; Elder Isaac Jones, text not reported; Elder J. S. Corbitt, text not reported; Elder J. A. Shaw, text not reported; Elder J. W. Gardner, text Psalms 23:1; Elder J. F. Farmer, text, Psalms 46:4, Elder J. R. Wilson, text, 1st John 3:1; Elder Sam'l Millon, text Romans, 8:20; Bro. T. H. B. Pridgen, text, Isaiah 9:8.

Saturday Night.

Elder J. W. Gardner, text not reported; Elder M. B. Williford, text not reported; Elder J. W. Johnson, text not reported; Elder Isaac Jones, Luke 23:43; Elder J. F. Farmer, Sol. Song 2:4; Elder J. R. Wilson, St. John 17:24; Bro. T. H. B. Pridgen, text, "Garden of Eden."

Sunday Night.

Elder J. R. Wilson, text, Hebrews 1:11; Elder Isaac Jones, text Zechariah 13:1.

VISITING MINISTERS.

Elder John A. Shaw, of N. C.; Elder W. G. Turner, of N. C.; Elder Isaac Jones, of N. C.; Elder J. S. Corbitt, of N. C.; Elder G. M. Corbitt, of N. C.; Elder T. C. Hart, of N. C.; Elder J. W. Gardner, of N. C.; Elder J. W. Johnson, of N. C.; Elder J. R. Wilson, of Indiana; Elder Sam'l. McMillon, of Tenn.; Bro. George Howard, of N. C.

CONCLUSION.

The brethren and friends in this community were exceedingly kind and hospitable. The weather was fine and we were graciously blessed with the presence of several visiting ministers. We were assured that the Lord was with us in blessing these ministers of His, that do His pleasure to proclaim to us His unsearchable riches, for did not our heart burn within us by the way, while He opened to us the Scriptures, through their preaching, insomuch that we felt that we were "rooted and grounded in love," and "filled with the fulness of God."

"Happy is that people, that is in such a case; yea, happy is that people, whose God is the Lord."

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

J. F. FARMER, CLERK.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Art. 1. This association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The moderator and the clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the moderator when he is about to make his speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and nowise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the association.

Art. 8. No member of this association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in the time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this association shall address another in any term or appellation than of brother.

Art. 10. The moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives light on the subject except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this association shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as often as the association requires.

Art. 12. The moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the association be equally divided.

Art. 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of the rules shall be reproved by the association as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—ARTICLES OF FAITH.

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in unison. We therefore propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose, and upon producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed: Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power. to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor they shall infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5.The association shall have a moderator and clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messengers, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the association and manifested by the moderator giving the members the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the association shall be twice read, and if there be a majority for its being debated it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of this association. The best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of the association..

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer appointed by the association, who shall be accountable to the association for all monies by him received and paid out according to the direction of the association.

Art. 12. The minutes of this association when printed, shall be regularly filed by him in a book kept for the use of the association. He shall endeavor to have said book present at each association.

Art. 13. The minutes of this association shall be read and corrected if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the association rises.

Art. 14. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 15. The association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches, 2, to preserve inviolably a chain of communion among the churches, 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for an association fund to any purposes strictly connected with this associa-

tion; 5, to appoint any member or members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 6, the association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry which may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this union.

Art. 16. We will not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades, nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our association establishing societies for the collection of money, or who may himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible, Tract, or Sunday School union societies, nor advocates of theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Names of Messengers.	Baptized	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in Fel.	Contributions.
Aycock's	W. R. Ballance, J. A. Davis, Eld. J. C. Hooks	0	0	0	0	0	5	71	$9.00
Beulah	A. B. Atkinson, Joseph Pittman, and W. N. Bardin.	5	0	0	0	1	8	79	3.00
Contentnea	W. C. Boyett, J. M. Burnett and J. T. Smith	5	0	0	0	0	3	110	5.00
Creech's	A. W. Thompson, S. A. Pittman and S. J. Peel	4	0	0	0	1	0	35	2.00
Cross Roads	W. J. Hunt, W. M. Bass and C. L. Gurley, Jr	0	0	0	0	0	1	30	3.00
Dudley	W. H. Burch	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	1.00
Goldsboro	A. H. Toler, H. F. Pate and Dr. C. B. Hall	2	0	0	0	0	0	29	15.00
Healthy Plains	D. D. Coleman, J. W. Batts and A. Davis	1	0	0	0	0	0	42	3.00
Lower Black Creek	Amos Hays, W. G. Raper and Jacob Lamm	5	0	0	0	0	0	75	4.00
Mill Branch	J. T. Hooks, M. R. Hooks, W. T. Hales, J. B. Pearce.	6	0	0	0	0	1	74	8.00
Memorial	Alford Joyner and T. H. B. Pridgen	7	0	0	2	1	0	46	2.25
Nashville	B. L. Holland, Josiah Vick and L. G. Edwards	2	0	0	0	1	0	28	2.00
New Chapel	J R. Bailey and C. L. Gurley, Sr.	0	0	0	1	0	2	23	3.00
Peach Tree	Willie Walker and Frank Sykes	0	0	0	0	0	2	19	1.50
Sappony	J R. Lindsey and E. B. Barnes	2	2	0	0	1	0	33	2.00
Scott's	U. W. Boykin, I. A. Lamm and David Bryant	1	0	1	1	0	2	72	3.00
Toisnot	Wm. Woodard, Joshua B. Farmer, Eld. J.F Farmer.	4	0	1	0	0	8	109	8.80
Upper Black Creek	Eli Ferrell, W. R. Barnes and J. E. Henry	3	0	3	0	0	3	110	4.00
White Oak	H. S. Ward and J. H. Gardner	0	0	0	0	0	2	26	2.00

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PROCEEDINGS.

1. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. T. Coats.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. D. Gold from St. John 3:5

3. Conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

4. On motion, Elder P. D. Gold was chosen Moderator and Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk, who called to his assistance Brethren Dr. C. B. Hall, I. A. Lamm and W. C. Boyett.

5. On motion, visiting brethren and messengers from sister Associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders T. C. Hart and J. A. Shaw were appointed to preach today. Elder T. C. Hart preached from Romans 8:29-30. Elder J. A. Shaw preached from Mark 5:28.

7. Brethren J. T. Hooks and W. C. Boyett were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters were called for and read from 19 churches.

9. Petitionary letters were called for. Letter from Sandy Grove church in Nash County, N. C., received and the church received into our Association.

10. Called for corresponding letters and messengers from sister Associations:

Contentnea—Minutes, Elders G. M. Corbett and J. S. Corbett.

Little River—Minutes, Eld. J. T. Coats and visitors.

Kehukee—Minutes, I. W. Bass, C. H. Spivey, visitors.

Seven Mile—Minutes, W. J. Morgan, D. L. Temple, visitors

White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones and minutes.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—Elder J. T. Rowe.

Warwick—Minutes.

Delaware—Minutes, Elder J. T. Rowe.

Delaware River—None.

Mayo—None.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

Lower Country Line—Minutes, G. C. Farthing and others, visitors.

Upper Country Line—Minutes, L. I. Harris.

Salem—Minutes.

Stanton River—Minutes.

11. Appointed our next annual session to convene with

the church at Healthy Plains, Wilson County, N. C., to commence on Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1915, at 11 o'clock A. M., Elder P. D. Gold to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder J. C. Hooks to be his alternate.

12. The following brethren were appointed as messengers to sister Associations with whom we correspond:

To Contentnea—J. R. Lindsay, E. B. Barnes, J. W. Pridgen.

Kehukee—R. L. Scott, P. D. Gold J. F. Farmer.

Little River—I. S. Smith, Eld. Jesse Barnes.

White Oak—J. C. Hooks, J. F. Farmer and C. B. Hall.

Upper Country Line—Eld. J. C. Hooks, J. F. Farmer and C. B. Hall.

Lower Country Line—Eld. R. H. Boswell, I. S. Smith, C. B. Hall.

Seven Mile—R. L. Scott.

Mill Branch—Eld. J. F. Farmer and minutes.

Salem—Minutes.

Baltimore—Elders P. D. Gold and J. F. Farmer.

Delaware—Minutes.

Delaware River—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

Mayo—Minutes.

Staunton River—Minutes.

13. Appointed Elder J. W. Peed, G. M. Corbett, J. A. Herndon, J. S. Corbett, W. N. Tharp, E. E. Olievr and J. T. Coats to preach Saturday, and J. W. Gardner, J. T. Rowe and Isaac Jones to preach Sunday.

14. The messengers were called for and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

15. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister Associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

16. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from the churches	$84.95
Voluntary contributions from the congregation at this meeting	$
Total contributions,	$84.95

Expenditures:

Printing minutes and postage	$20.00

Allowed Clerk for services	$10.00
Given to visiting ministers	$54.95
Total expenditures,	$84.95

17. Report received and committee discharged.

18. Inasmuch as all our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or Association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the Clerk, who is authorized to receive and record the same.

19. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20. The Clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond, and record one in our records.

21. The following brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: W. R. Barnes, J. W. Price, J. E. Henry.

22. Resolutions: Resolved that our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the Moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

Resolved that: Elder J. F. Farmer prepare an obituary notice of Bro. Thomas Clark and present to the next session of this Association.

These minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

ELDER P. D. GOLD, Moderator.

ELDER J. F. FARMER, Clerk.

DR. C. B. HALL, I. A. LAMM AND W. C. BOYETT, Assistants.

PREACHING SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 1914.

Elder J. W. Peed, text 1st Peter 1:2.
Elder G. M. Corbett, text 2nd Timothy 2:3.
Elder J. A. Herndon, text, Isaiah 55:1.
Elder J. S. Corbett, text, 2nd Cor. 9:15.
Elder W. N. Tharp, text, Hebrews 8:10.
Elder E. E. Oliver, text, Romans 5:20-21.
Elder J. T. Coats, text, Isaiah 32:3.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1914.

Elder J. W. Gardner, text, St. John 11:36.
Elder J. T. Rowe, text, Exodus 33:18.
Elder Isaac Jones, text, St. Mathew 11:5.

The Moderator dismissed the Association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all of the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

VISITING MINISTERS.

Elder J. T. Rowe, Baltimore, Md., Elder E. E. Oliver, Washington, D. C., Elder W. N. Tharp, Liberty, Indiana, Elders G. M. Corbett, J. S. Corbett, T. C. Hart, J. W. Gardner, J. A. Shaw, J. T. Coats, Isaac Jones, J. W. Peed, J. A. Herndon and Brethren J. C. Taylor and R. E. Adams, from North Carolina.

Churches and Dates when Association was Held With Them.

1. Aycock's, 1903; 2, Beulah, 1902; 3, Contentnea, 1912; 4. Creech's, 1913; 5. Cross Roads, 1901; 6. Dudley,——; 7. Goldsboro, 1888; 8. Healthy Plains, 1900; 9. Lower Black Creek, 1905; 10. Memorial, 1904; 11. Mill Branch, 1911; 12. Nashville, 1909; 13. New Chapel, 1891; 14. Peach Tree, 1910; 15. Sappony, ———; 16. Scott's, 1908; 17. Toisnot, 1906; 18. Upper Black Creek, 1899; 19. White Oak, 1907; 20. Sandy Grove ———.

CONCLUSION.

Thus closes another good meeting of our Association. All the ministers of our Association, except one, and the largest number, we have ever had, of visiting ministers from sister Associations, were blessed to be with us.

In the language of some of them, "We had some good gospel preaching."

"Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father, to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen!"

J. F. FARMER, Clerk.

Ministers of This Association and Their Postoffice.

Elder Jesse Barnes, Lucama, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 4.
Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Elder J. T. Spencer, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

Licentiates.

Brother I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Brother J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.
Brother Joseph Pittman, Kenly, N. C.

Churches, Pastors, Postoffice, and Time of Holding Yearly Meeting.

Aycock's—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., Sept. 4th Sunday.
Beulah—Eld. J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., Sept. 3rd Sunday.
Contentnea—Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, Oct. 3rd Sunday.
Creech's—Elder J. T. Collier, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2, August, 1st Sunday.
Cross Roads—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., Sept. 1st Sunday.

Dudley—Bro. J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C., Aug. 1st Sunday.
Goldsboro—Elder J. W. Gardner, June, 1st Sunday.
Healthy Plains—Elder G. W. Boswell, Aug. 2nd Sunday.
Lower Black Creek—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Sept. 2nd Sunday.
Memorial—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Oct. 1st Sunday.
Mill Branch—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C., Aug. 1st Sunday.
Nashville—Elder M. B. Williford, Sept. 4th Sunday.
New Chapel—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1, Sept. 3rd Sunday.
Peach Tree—Elder Robt. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, Aug. 2nd Sunday.
Sandy Grove—None.
Sappony—Elder M. B. Williford, Sept. 3rd Sunday.
Scott's—Elder G. W. Boswell, Oct. 1st Sunday.
Toisnot—Eld. P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., Aug. 4th Sunday.
Upper Black Creek—Eld. G. W. Boswell, Sept. 4th Sunday.
White Oak—None. Aug. 1st Sunday.

Churches, Clerks, and Their Postoffices.

Aycock's—William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.
Beulah—A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.
Contentnea—F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Creech's—W. J. Stancil, Kenly, N. C.
Cross Roads—C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.
Dudley—W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C.
Goldsboro—A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.
Healthy Plains—W. F. Boykin, Simms, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Lower Black Creek—Amos Hays, Wilson, N. C.
Memorial—W. T. Hales, Pikeville, N. C.
Mill Branch—Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R.F.D. 1.
Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C.
New Chapel—I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Peach Tree—W. C. M. Sykes, Spring Hope, N. C.
Sandy Grove—G. W. Morgan, Bailey, N. C.
Sappony—J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Scott's—I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Toisnot—Joshua B. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Upper Black Creek—Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.
White Oak—H. S. Ward, Walstonburg, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Messengers.	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Restored.	Dis. by Let.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Tot. Mem.	Contributions.
Aycock's	Eld. J. C. Hooks, W. G. Smith, Wm. Rix			1			4	69	8.00
Beulah	J. W. Woodard, A. B. Atkinson, Joseph Pittman	1					2	80	3.00
Contentnea	W. C. Boyette, J. B. Smith, J. M. Burnett	2					2	108	5.00
Creech's	Johnnie Whitley, J. B. Batten, W. L. Stancil	4					1	52	2.50
Cross Roads	J. D. Parish, J. W. Brady, C. L. Gurley, Jr.			1				29	3.00
Dudley									
Goldsboro	C. B. Hall, A .H. Toler		1			1		31	15.35
Healthy Plains	W. M. Boykin, W. F. Boykin		1				1	41	3.00
Low. Black Creek	Amos Hayes, W. G. Raper, Jacob Lamm						1	72	5.00
Memorial	J. T. Hooks, J. B. Pierce, H. M. Woodard	3		1			6	76	8.00
Mill Branch	T. H. B. Pridgen, Jno. W. Pridgen, Henry Adams	3		1		1	1	47	2.00
Nashville	B. L. Holland, J. T. Williams, C. W. Whitfield	4	1				1	40	2.50
New Chapel	I. S. Smith, C. L. Gurley, Sr.							22	4.10
Peach Tree	S. A. Walker, W. C. Sykes	1					1	21	2.50
Sappony	J. R. Lindsey, E. B. Barnes, N. D. Joyner	3				1	1	34	2.00
Scott's	I. A. Lamm, Leonard Raper, Eld. Jeses Barnes					2	4	62	3.00
Toisnot	J. W. Thorn, Wm. Woodard	3		2			2	110	8.00
Up. Black Creek	J. E. Henry, W. R. Barnes, J. W. Price	3		1		1	5	103	5.00
White Oak	J. H. Gardner	1						27	2.00
Sandy Grove	A. T. Strickland							19	1.00

MINUTES

OF THE

40th Annual Session

OF THE

BLACK CREEK

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Healthy Plains

Wilson County, N. C.

October 22, 23 and 24, 1915.

PROCEEDINGS.

1. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder P. D. Gold.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. D. Gold.

3. Conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. W. Wyatt.

4. On motion, Elder P. D. Gold was chosen Moderator and Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk, who called to his assistance Brethren Alfred Joyner and I. A. Lamm.

5. On motion, visiting brethren and messengers from sister Associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders G. M. Corbitt and J. W. Johnson were appointed to preach today. Elder G. M. Corbitt preached from Garden of Gethsemine. Elder J. W. Johnson preached from St. John 14th Chapter, 6th verse.

7. Brethren W. M. Woodard and W. C. Boyette were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters were called for and read from nineteen churches.

9. Petitionary letters were called for. None presented.

10. Called for corresponding letters and messengers from sister Associations:

Little River—D. S. Godwin, W. A. Simpkins.

Kehukee—Samuel Rodgerson, Elder D. S. Cowan, J. W. Johnson.

Contentnea—Minutes, Elder G. M. Corbett.

Seven Mile—Moses Lee, L. P. Jernigan.

White Oak—Minutes, Isaac Jones.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—J. T. Rowe.

Warwick—None.

Delaware—None.

Delaware River—None.

Mayo—None.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes

Lower Country Line—None.

Salem—Minutes

Stanton River—None.

11. Appointed our next annual session to convene with the church at Cross Roads, Johnson County, N. C., to commence on Friday before the 4th Sunday in October,

1916, at 11 o'clock A. M., Elder P. D. Gold to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder J. C. Hooks to be his alternate.

12. The following brethren kere appointed as messengers to sister Associations with whom we correspond:

To Contentnea—Minutes, Amos Hayes, J. R. Lindsey, T. H. B. Pridgen.

Kehukee—Minutes, J. M. Burnette, Elder P. D. Gold.

Little River—Minutes, J. A. Lamm, Hilliard Boykin, Elder Jesse Barnes.

White Oak—Elder J. C. Hooks, Elder J. F. Farmer.

Upper Country Line—Minutes.

Lower Country Line—Minutes, W. H. Burch, Elder Jesse Barnes, Elder J. C. Hooks.

Seven Mile—Minutes, A. T. Strickland.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Salem—Minutes.

Baltimore—Minutes

Delaware—Minutes.

Delaware River—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

Mayo—Minutes.

Staunton River—Minutes.

13. Appointed Elders J. A. Shaw, B. S. Cowing, W. A. Simpkins, L. H. Hardy, J. W. Wyatt, and M. L. Gilbert to preach Saturday, and Elders F. W. Keen and J. T. Rowe to preach Sunday.

14. The messengers were called for and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

15. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister Associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

16. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from churches	$94.45
Voluntary contributions from the congregation at this meeting	
Total contributions	

EXPENDITURES.

Printing minutes and postage	$20.00
Allowed Clerk for services	10.00

Given to visiting ministers 64.45

Total expenditures $94.45

17. Report received and committee discharged.

18. Inasmuch as all our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or Association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the Clerk, who is authorized to receive and record the same.

19. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20. The Clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond, and record one in our records.

21. The following brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: Hilliard Boykin, W. F. Boykin, S. W. Haynes.

Resolutions.

22. Resolved: That our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the Moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

23. Resolved: That the obituary of Brother Thomas Clark read at this meeting and approved, be printed with the minutes and recorded by our Clerk in our book.

These minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Elder P. D. Gold, Moderator.

Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk.

PREACHING— SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1915.

Elder J. A. Shaw, text, St. John 2nd, chapter 1-12.
Elder B. S. Cowin, text, Judges 15 chapter 10.
Elder W. A. Simpkins, text, Hebrews 1st chapter 1-2
Elder L. H. Hardy, text, 1st Corinthians, 10th Chap 1-2
Elder J. W. Wyatt, text, Rom. 8th chapter 28.
Elder M. L. Gilbert, text, 1st Peter 4th chapter 11

SUNDAY OCTOBER 24, 1915.

Elder F. W. Keen, text, Genesis 22nd chapter 3-14.

Elder J. T. Rave, text, Isaiah 40th chapter 1-2

The Moderator dismissed the Association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all of the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

VISITING MINISTERS.

Elders J. T. Rowe from Baltimore, Mr.; Fred W. Keen, Maine; M. L. Gilbert, Florida; and W. M. Monsees, L. H. Hardy, J. A. Shaw, G. M. Corbett, B. S. Cowing, J. W. Johnson, W. A. Simpkins, Isaac Jones and J. W. Wyatt of North Carolina.

Churches and Dates when Association was Held with them.

1—Aycock's, 1903; 2—Beulah, 1902; 3—Contentnea, 1912; 4—Creech's, 1913; 5—Cross Roads, 1901; 6—Dudley, ————; 7—Goldsboro, 1888; 8—Healthy Plains, 1915; 9—Lower Black Creek, 1905; 10—Memorial, 1904; 11—Mill Branch, 1911; 12—Nashville, 1909; New Chapel, 1891; Peach Tree, 1910; 15—Sappony, ———; 16—Scott's 1908; 17—Toisnot, 1906; 18—Upper Black Creek, 1914; 19—White Oak, 1907; 20—Sandy Grove,————.

CONCLUSION.

We know that the Lord was with us on this occasion, for the ministering brethren demonstrated this in their preaching. One said to Christ: "Rabbi, we know thou are a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." So we know that no man could preach as these men did, except God had been with them. The Lord blessed us with pleasant weather, and also blessed the community to entertain the Association. He also blessed his dear children to eat of the spiritual feast He prepared. "The Lord be praised for his goodness and mercy to the children of men."

J. F. FARMER, Clerk.

Ministers of the Association and their Postoffice

Elder Jesse Barnes—Lucama, N. C.

Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. 3

Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. 3
Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.
Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 4
Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Elm City, Rt. 1
Elder J. T. Spencer, Kenly, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.
Elder M B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.

Licentiates.

Brother I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D 1
Brother Joseph Pittman, Kenly, N. C.
Dr. C. B. Hall, Goldsboro, N. C.

Churches, Pastors, Postoince, and Time of Holding Yearly Meeting.

Aycock's—Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., Sept. 4th Sunday.
Beulah—Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C., Sept 3rd Sunday.
Contentnea—Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, October 3rd Sunday.
Creech's—Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C., August, 1st Sunday.
Cross Roads—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., September 1st Sunday.
Dudley—Bro. J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C., August 1st Sunday.
Goldsboro—Elder J. W. Gardner, June 1st Sunday.
Healthy Plains—Elder G. W. Boswell, August 2nd Sunday.
Lower Black Creek—Elder J. C. Hooks, September 2nd Sunday.
Memorial—Elder J. C. Hooks, October 1st Sunday.
Mill Branch—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C. August 1st Sunday.
Nashville—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C., September 4th Sunday.
New Chapel—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1., September 3rd Sunday.
Peach Tree—Elder Robt. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, August 2d Sunday.
Sandy Grove—None.
Sappony—Elder M. B. Williford, September 3rd Sunday.

Scott's—Elder G. W. Boswell, October 1st Sunday.
Toisnot—Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., August 4th Sunday.
Upper Black Creek—Elder G. W. Boswell, September 4th Sunday.
White Oak—none—August 1st Sunday.

Churches, Clerks and their Postoffices.

Aycock's—William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.
Beulah—A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.
Contentnea—F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. 3
Creech's—W. J. Stancil, Kenly, N. C.
Cross Roads—C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.
Dudley—W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C.
Goldsboro—A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.
Healthy Plains—W. F. Boykin, Simms, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Lower Black Creek—Amos Hays, Wilson, N. C.
Memorial———
Mill Branch—Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1
Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C.
New Chapel—I. S. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1
Peach Tree—W. C. M. Sykes, Spring Hope, N. C.
Sandy Grove—G. W. Morgan, Bailey, N. C.
Sappony—J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Scott's—I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 2.
Toisnot—Joshua B. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Upper Black Creek—Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.
White Oak—H. S. Ward, Walstonsburg, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

Brother Thomas Clark was called to go the way of all the earth, March 2, 1912, making his stay on earth 71 years.

He was born at Petersburg, Va., march 13, 1841. He connected himself with the New School, or Missionary Baptist church at the early age of 17. He quickly rose to prominence among them, being an earnest Sabbath school worker, and prayer meeting exhorter, manifesting much zeal in this way, but not according to knowledge.

At the early age of 20 he entered the bloody struggle of the war between the states, and, as a soldier of his native land, bore his part humbly and bravely.

At the close of the war, he moved to the old North

State, settling near Black Creek, Wilson County.

He was twice married. First, to Miss Perta Barnes, secondly, to Miss Annie McKinney, both of whom were exemplary women, and faithful wives. Being convicted by the Spirit of God, that the Primitive Baptist church, established upon the glorious doccrine of salvation by grace, is the church of the first born, he and this first wife united with the church at Aycock, April 26, 1886. Shortly after joining the church, he was liberated to speak in public, which office he filled meekly and with godly fear.

About two years before his death, he was stricken with paralysis, which fatal malady ended his long sojourn on earth. He bore his sufferings patiently, and fell on sleep in the evening of a ripe old age.

Those who knew him, only knew him to love him. He was a reticent man—a man somewhat hard to get acquainted with; but when you knew him, he had a warm heart. He was a man of few words, loved order and right; and, it is said of him, that no man was more sincere and upright in his quiet life, than was dear Brother Clark. Thus terminates the Lord's poor and afflicted children.

1. "Servant of God, well done;
   Rest from thy loved employ;
   The battle fought, the victory won;
   Enter thy Master's joy.
2. The pains of death are past;
   Labor and sorrow ceased;
   And life's long warfare closed at last,
   His soul is found in peace.
3. Soldier of Christ, well done;
   Praise be thy new employ;
   And, while eternal ages run,
   Rest in thy Saviour's joy.

—Written by Elder J. A. Shaw.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Names of Messengers.	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Mem.	Contributions
Aycock's	Elder J. C. Hooks, Wm. Ricks	1		1			4	67	5.00
Beulah	S. E. Woodard, J. W. Woodard, A. B. Atkinson	17	2	2	4		3	96	9.45
Contentnea	W. C. Boyette, J. M. Burnett, J. B. Smith					1	2	104	5.00
Creech's	J. R. Hare, R. D. Creech, Joe Creech	1						54	5.00
Cross Roads	Andrew Brewer, J. W. Brady, C. L. Gurley, Jr.	2				2	1	28	3.00
Dudley	W. H. Burch								1.00
Goldsboro	A. H. Toler, E. A. Pate	1						31	15.50
Healthy Plains	Hilliard Boykin, W. F. Boykin							35	3.00
Low. Black Creek	Amos Hayes, J. B. Murry	5	1	1			5	72	5.00
Memorial	J. A. Barnes, J. D. Pate	4		2		2	2	78	8.00
Mill Branch	Alford Joyner, J. R. Luper, Henry Adams	10			2	2	4	52	2.00
Nashville	B. L. Holland	1	3				2	43	2.50
New Chapel	J. S. Smith, C. L. Gurley, Sr.				1		1	20	3.30
Peach Tree	W. C. M. Sykes	2						24	2.50
Sappony	J. R. Lindsey, S. B. Merser	2	2	1		1	2	36	2.50
Scott's	Elder Jesse Barnes, I. A. Lamm, David Bryant					2	1	59	3.00
Toisnot	Elder J. F. Farmer, Wm. Woodard	4	4	1			7	111	8.00
Up. Black Creek	J. W. Price, J. E. Henry, Eli Ferrell	4	2	1	1		4	105	5.00
White Oak	None							19	2.70
Sandy Grove	A. T. Strickland, G. W. Morgan, M. Brantly								

MINUTES

OF THE

41st Annual Session

OF THE

Black Creek

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Cross Roads

Johnston County, North Carolina

OCTOBER 20, 21, AND 22, 1916.

PROCEEDINGS

1. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder N. T. Oaks.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. D. Gold. St. John 15:5.

3. Conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. T. Rowe.

4. On motion Elder P. D. Gold was chosen moderator, and Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk, who called to his assistance Dr. C. B. Hall, Jesse Barnes and Hiliard Boykin.

5. On motion, visiting brethren and messengers from Sister Associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders T. B. Lancaster, N. T. Oaks, J. W. Bragg were appointed to preach today. Elder J. W. Bragg was excused on account of the weather and his physical disability, and Elder F. W. Keen was substituted in his place.

Elder T. B. Lancaster preached from Romans 10-1-8.

Elder F. T. Oakes preached from Romans 5-20.

Elder G. W. Keene preached from Song Solomon 2-3.

7. Brethren Wm. Woodard and I. A. Lamb were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters were called for and read from 20 churches.

9. Petitionary letters were called for, none presented.

10. Called for corresponding letters and messengers from Sister Associations:

Contentnea—Minutes, Elders T. B. Lancaster, J. P. Tingle, T. C. Hart.

Little River—Minutes, D. S. Godwin, F. C. Hamilton and visitors.

Kehukee—Elders J. A. Shaw, Eli Taylor, Samuel Rogerson, J. H. D. Peel.

Seven Mile—Minutes.

Whit eOak—Elders Isaac Jones, L. H. Hardy.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—Elder J. T. Rowe.

Warwick—P. D. Gold.

Delaware—Elders P. D. Gold, J. T. Rowe.

Delaware River—Elders P. D. Gold, J. T. Rowe.

Mayo—Elder Samuel McMillan.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes, Elder Samuel McMillian

Stanton River—Elder N. T. Oaks and J. L. Williams.

Lower Country Line—G. C. Farthing.

Upper Country Line—A. G. Porterfield, S. J. Hall and visitors.

Salem—No one present.

Nolachucky—None.

Maine Conference—Elder F. W. Keene.

11. Appointed our next annual session to convene with the church at Beulah, Johnston county, N. C., to commence Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1917, at 11 o'clock a. m. Elder P. D. Gold, to preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. C. Hooks to be his alternate.

12. The following brethren were appointed as messengers to Sister Associations with whom we correspond:

Contentnea—Minutes, Amos Hayes, J. W. Thorne.

Kehukee—Minutes, Elders J. W. Wyatt, Amos Hayes.

Little River—Minutes, I. S. Smith, M. Brantley, J. W. Woodard.

White Oak—Minutes, Elders J. C. Hooks, C. B. Hall.

Upper Country Line—Minutes, C. W. Gold, Elder J. W. Wyatt. Lower Country Line—Minutes, Elders P. D. Gold, J. C. Hooks, et als, C. B. Hall.

Seven Mile—Minutes, Robt. L. Scott, Elder Jesse Barnes and I. A. Lamm.

Mill Branch—Minutes, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Salem—Minutes, C. W. Gold.

Baltimore—Minutes, Elders J. F. Farmer, Wm. Woodard.

Delware—Minutes.

Delware River—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes, C. B. Hall.

Mayo—Minutes.

Stanton River—Minutes, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Nolachucky—Minutes.

13. Appointed Elders, T. C. Hart, J. A. Shaw, Elder Samuel McMillian, L. H. Hardy, to preach Saturday and Elders F. W. Keene, J. T. Rowe and I. Jones, to preach Sunday.

14. The messengers were called for and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

15. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister Associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

16. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from churches	$111.15
Voluntary contributions from the congregation at this meeting	7.50
Total contributions	$118.65

EXPENDITURES

Printing minutes and postage	$20.00
Allowed Clerk for services	10.00
Given to visiting ministers	88.65
Total expenditures	$118.65

17. Report received and committee discharged.

18. Inasmuch as all our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or Association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the Clerk, who is authorized to receive and record the same.

19. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20. The Clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond and record one in our records.

21. The following brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: C. L. Curly and Andrew Brewer.

Resolutions.

22. Resolved: That our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the Moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

These minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Elder P. D. Gold, Moderator,

Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk.

PREACHING—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1916.

Elder T. C. Hart, text, 1st Cor. 13-13.
Elder J. A. Shaw, text, Galatians, 4-10-26.
Elder Samuel McMillan, text, 2nd Timethy, 4-1-2.
Elder L. H. Hardy, text, 2nd Peter. 3-9.
Elder J. T. Coats, text, St. John, 3-7.

PREACHING—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1916.

Elder F. W. Keen, text Sol. Song, 2-12.
Elder J. T. Rowe, text Matthew, 28-18-20.
Elder Isaac Jones, text Psalms, 29-15.

The Moderator dismissed the Association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all of the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

VISITING MINISTERS

Elder J. W. Bragg, Alabama; Elder J. T. Rowe, Baltimore; Elder F. W. Keen, Maine; Elder N. T. Oaks, Virginia; Brother R. E. Adams, Elder J. T. Coats, Elder L. H. Hardy, Elder T. C. Hart, Elder Isaac Jones, Samuel McMillan, Elder T. B. Lancaster, Elder W. M. Monses, Elder E. F. Pearce, Elder J. B. Roberts, Elder J. A. Shaw, Elder Jno. P. Tingle, of North Carolina.

CONCLUSION

Brethren and friends made ample preparations in every respect for this meeting and very kindly entertained us. We had very fine weather and the Lord blessed us with a large number of His ministering servants who came to us "in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ" proclaiming "His unsearchable riches" to our comfort and consolation and we feel that we had "a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees well refined."

Elder J. F. Farmer, Clerk

Churches, Pastors, Postoffices, and Time of Holding Yearly Meeting.

Aycock's—Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., Sept. 4th, Sunday.

Beulah—Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C., Sept. 3rd Sunday.

Contentnea—Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, October 3rd Sunday.

Creech's—Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C., August, 1st Sunday.

Cross Roads—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., September, 4th Sunday.

Dudley—Bro. J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C., August, 1st Sunday.

Goldsboro—Elder J. W. Gardner, June, 1st Sunday.

Healthy Plains—Elder G. W. Boswell, August, 2nd Sunday.

Lower Black Creek—Elder J. C. Hooks, September, 2nd Sunday.

Memorial—Elder J. C. Hooks, October, 1st Sunday.

Mill Branch—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C., August, 1st Sunday.

Nashville—Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C., September, 4th Sunday.

New Chapel—Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1., September, 3rd Sunday.

Peach Tree—Elder Robt. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3, August, 2nd Sunday.

Sappony—Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville N. C., September, 3rd Sunday.

Scott's Elder G. W. Boswell, October, 1st Sunday.

Toisnot—Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C., August, 4th Sunday.

Upper Black Creek—Elder G. W. Boswell, September, 4th Sunday.

White Oak—none. August, 1st Sunday.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE.

Elder Jesse Barnes, Lucama, N. C.
Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 3.
Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F.D. 3.
Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.
Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. 4.
Elder John W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D.

Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks, Freemont N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1.
Elder J. T. Spencer, Petersburg, Va.
Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.
Bro. S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.
Dr. C. B. Hall, Goldsboro, N. C.
Bro. Joseph Pittman, Kenly, N. C.
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Cross Roads	C. L. Gurley, J. W. Brady, Andrew Brewer	3	..	..	..	..	1	30	5.80
Dudley	W. H. Burch	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1.00
Goldsboro	A. A. Toler, W. H. Evans	2	1	..	1	..	1	32	23.00
Healthy Plains	W. F. Boykin, Hillard Boykin	..	..	..	..	..	1	35	3.00
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Nashville	Elder J. T. Williams, D. J. Price	2	..	..	2	..	..	43	2.00
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Peach Tree	Macon Brantley, W. B. Walker	..	..	1	..	1	..	24	2.50
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Sappony	W. D. Joyner, W. A. Joyner	2	..	1	..	1	1	37	2.00
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	Total	40	5	7	7	5	28	1056	$87.65

MINUTES

OF THE

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HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

BEULAH

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OCTOBER 26, 27 AND 28, 1917

PROCEEDINGS

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2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. D. Gold; text, 23rd Psalm, 6th verse.

3. Conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder W. N. Tharp.

4. On motion Elder P. D. Gold was chosen moderator, and Elder C. B. Hall Clerk, who called to his assistance E. L. Cobb.

5. On motion, visiting brethren and messengers from Sister Associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders Compton, Oakes and McKinney were appointed to preach today.

Elder Compton preached from John 17:4; Elder Oakes preached from Romans 8:24, Elder McKinney preached from Rev. 21:2-3.

7 Brethren Wm. Woodard and C. L. Gurley were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters were called for and read from 21 churches.

9. Petitionery letters were called for: Pittman's Grove.

10. Called for corresponding letters and messengers from Sister Associations:

Contentnea—Elders Tingle, Hart and others.

Little River.—D. L. Godwin, Elder Monsees.

Kehukee—W. I. House, Elder Shaw and others.

Seven Mile—J. G. Turlington, L. H. Johnson and others.

White Oak—Minutes, Elder Jones, O. Davis and others.

Mill Branch –Minutes, C. W. Brown.

Baltimore—None.

Warwick—None.

Delaware—None.

Delaware River—None.

Mayo—None.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes Elder Samuel McMillian.

Stanton River—Elder N. T. Oakes, C. P. Williams and others.

Lower Country Line—Minutes, G. C. Farthing, Elder Denny and others.

Upper Country Line—Minutes, B. F. McKinney, W. P. Warren and others.

Salem—None.

Nolachucky—None.

Maine Conference—Eld. Samuel McMillen.

11. Appointed our next annual session to convene with the church at Memorial, Wayne County, N. C., to commence Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1918, at 11 o'clock A. M., Elder C. B. Hall to preach the introductory sermon and Elder S. B. Denny to be his alternate.

12. The following brethren were appointed as messengers to Sister Associations with whom we correspond:

Contentnea: Minutes, Amos Hayes, J. W. Gardner.

Kehukee: Minutes, N. C. Boyette, J. S. Rogerson.

Little River: Minutes, J. B. Boswell, Macon Brantley, Elder Jessee Barnes.

White Oak: Minutes, W. H. Burch, Eld. J. C. H. Oakes.

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13. Appointed Elders Shaw, Tharpe, Hart, and Denny to preach Saturday, and Elders McMillian, Cowan, and Jones to preach Sunday.

14. The messengers were called for and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

15. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister Associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

16. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from churches	$107.35
Voluntary conrtibutions from the congregation at this meeting	8.30
Total contributions	$115.65

EXPENDITURES

Printing minutes and postage	$30.00
Allowed Clerk for services	15.00
Given to visiting ministers	70.65
Total expenditures	$115.65

17. Report received and committee discharged.

18. Inasmuch as all our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or Association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the Clerk, who is authorized to receive and record the same.

19. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20. The Clerk is authorized to have 1,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond and record one in our records.

21. The followng brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: J. I. Woodard, Gaston Pittman, L. D. Boyette, S. E. Woodard.

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED: That our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the Moderator give public expression of this at the close of the services on Sunday.

These minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Elder P. D. GOLD, Moderator.

C. B. Hall, Clerk.

On Friday night during the Association there was preaching by the following Elders at the places of their entertainment: N. T. Oaks from Col. 1:16; C. F. Denny from Psalms 40; I Jones from Romans 7 chapter; Luther Johnson, "Suffer Little Children to Come Unto Me and Forbid

Them Not, etc.;" H. B. Pridgen from Rev. 22:17; J. A. Herndon from Isaiah 41:17; Johnson and I. D. Gold.

On Saturday night A. B. Denson at Brother J. H. Creech's from Eph. 5:25-27; J. T. Coats at Brother B. A. Scott's from Psalms 104; H. B. Pierce at Brother Albert Pittman's from Matt. 5:20; J. A. Herndon from Matt. 25 and at Brother J. W. Woodard's, W. A. Simpkins followed by P. D. Gold. Also J T. Williams preached at Watson's School house from Isa. 40:1,2, followed by A. D. Johnson.

Elder I. Jones preached at Selma Sunday night.

The Moderator dismissed the Association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all of the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

VISITING MINISTERS

CONCLUSION.

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Beulah	J. I. Woodard, Geo. H. Boyette, A. B. Atkinson	3			1	1	3	97	10.00
Contentnea	W. C. Boyette, J. M. Burnette, W. H. Coleman	1					6	102	5.00
Creech's	J. R. Hare, J. B. Batten, J. H. Creech	1				3		56	5.55
Cross Roads	J. W. Brody, C. L. Gurley, Andrew Brewer	3						33	8 00
Dudley	W. H. Burch						1	4	1.00
Goldsboro	A. H. Toller	2					1	31	10.00
Healthy Plain	W. F. Boykin, Hilliard Boykin, S. W. Haynes	1						36	3 00
Lower Black Creek	Amos Hayes, C. Gardner	1					1	79	5 00
Memorial	H. W. Woodard, W. E. Garris	11				2	2	88	8.00
Mill Branch	Henry Adams, John Joyner and Letter	2				1	1	54	2 00
Nashville	A. J. Price, D. J. Price	2					2	45	2 00
New Chapel	Eld. J. W. Gardner, A. J. Smith, C. L. Gurley	8					1	26	8.50
Peach Tree	W. B. Walker					2	1	19	2 00
Pittman's Grove	J. S. Rodgerson, W. D. Holland, J. R. Exum	10	4					20	3 00
Sandy Grove	A. T. Strickland, A. J. Chamblee	1						21	3.00
Sappony	E. B. Barnes, W. A. Joyner, J. R. Lindsey						1	38	2 00
Scott's	Elder Jesse Barnes, S. A. Lamm		1			1	4	54	3.00
Teisnot	Wm. Woodard, J. W. Thorne	2				1	3	110	8.00
Upper Black Creek	Barnes Pope, J. B. Boswell	5	2	2	10		1	199	5.00
White Oak	Letter							23	2 00

MINUTES

OF THE

44TH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BLACK CREEK

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

NASHVILLE

Nash County, N. C.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

OCTOBER 22nd, 23rd, AND 24th 1920

1st. The services were opened by praise and prayer.

2nd. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. C. Hooks, from Eph. 1st, 102 verse.

3rd. The conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

4th. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator, and Eld. E. L. Cobb, clerk, who called I. A. Lamm his assistant.

5th. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6th. Elders Tom Hart, B. F. McKinney and L. E. Bryan were appointed to preach today.

7th. Brethren W. C. Boyette and Amos Hayes were appointed a committee on finance.

8th. Letters were called for and read from 21 churches.

9th. Petitionary letters were called for to join this association.

10th. Called for corresponding letters and messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea: H. L. Brake, G. W. Gardner and others.

Little River: Minutes, J. T. Phelps, Elder A. D. Johnson and others.

Kehuke. Minutes, W. A. Armstrong, Elder Sawyer and others.

Seven Mile: Minutes.

White Oak: Minutes, Elder Isaac Jones, Bro. L. E. Bryant, Riley Sheppard.

Mill Branch: Minutes.

Baltimore: Minutes.

Warwick: Minutes.

Delaware: Minutes.

Delaware River: Minutes.

Mayo: Minutes.

Stanton River: Minutes.

Abbotts Creek: Minutes.

Lower Country Line: Elder L. H. Hardy and others.

Upper Country Line: Elder B. F. McKinney, Elder J. W. Gilliam.

Salem: Minutes.

Nelachucky: Minutes.

Maine Conference: Minutes, Elder F. W. Keene.

Fisher River: Minutes.

New River: Minutes.

Nottaway: Minutes.

11th. Appointmented our next annual session to convene

with the church at Pittman's Grove to commence Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1921, at 11 o'clock a. m. Elder C. E. Hall was chosen to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder T. H. B. Pridgen to be his alternate.

12th. The following brethren were appointed as messengers to visit sister associations with whom we correspond.

Contentnea: Bro. Amos Hayes, Eld. W. M. Monsees, Elder R. E. Adams.

Kehuke: Elder W. M. Monsees, Elder R. E. Adams, Elder S. B. Denny.

Little River: Elder Jessie Barnes, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, W. H. Burch.

White Oak: Elder. C. B. Hall, Elder W. M. Monsees, Elder J. C. Hooks. W. H. Burch.

Upper Country Line: Elder J. W. Wyatte, Elder W. M. Monsees, J. T. Lamm, W. H. Burch.

Lower Country Line: Eld. J. W. Wyatt and J. T. Lamm.

Seven Mile: Eld. J. W. Wyatt, Eld. Jesse Barnes, Eld. W. M. Monsees.

Mill Branch: Bro. M. R. Hooks, Eld. Jesse Barnes, Bro. Hilliard Boykin.

Salem: Eld. S. B. Denny, Eld. E. L. Cobb.

Baltimore: Eld. J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware: Eld. J. W. Wyatt.

Royan River: Elder W. R. Craft.

Lotts Creek: Elder M. L. Riner.

Delaware River: Eld. J. W. Wyatt.

Warwick: Eld. J. W. Wyatt.

Abbotts Creek: Eld. Jesse Barnes, Bro. J. R. Exum.

Mayo: None.

Staunton River: Eld. W. M. Monsees, Eld. J. W. Wyatt.

Nelachucky: None.

13th: Appointed Elders Beaman, Craft, Riner to preach Saturday morning. Elder Hardy Gilliam Saturday evening; Elder Sheppard Friday night; to preach Frid. night and Sat.; Elders F. W. Keene, C. F. Denny and Isaac Jones to preach Sun.

G. W. Wombles, A. J. Price, C. Whitfield appointed committee of arrangements with officers of association.

14th. The messengers were called for, and the names of those present were inserted in the statistical table.

15th. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit sisters associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

16th. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from churches ----------$193.85

EXPENDITURES

Printing minutes and postage	35.00
Allowed clerk for services	15.00
Given to visiting ministers	143.85
Total	$193.85

17th. Report received and committee discharged.

18th. Inasmuch as our business is all transacted on Friday it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association failing to attend on Friday may make his report to the clerk, who is authorized to receive and record same.

19th. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20th. The clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond and record one on our records.

21st. The following brethren were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday: Deacons of this church.

22nd. Agreed to adopt memorial of Elders P. D. Gold, J. F. Farmer, insert one copy memorial on association book, one each to families.

23rd. The clerk instructed to purchase a new minute book.

24th. Agreed not to read the minutes.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved: That our thanks be extended to all of the brethren and friends of this community who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression of this at the close of the service on Sunday.

The association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELD. J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.
ELD. E. L. COBB, Clerk.
I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

CONCLUSION

Brethren and friends made ample preparations in every respect for this meeting, and very kindly entertained us. We had very fine weather and the Lord blessed us with a large number of his ministering servants who came to us" in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ proclaiming "His unsearchable riches" to our comfort and consolation, and we feel

that we had "a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees well refined."

ELD. E. L. COBB, Clerk.

The moderator dismissed the association by praise and prayer, returning thanks to the brethren and friends for kind hospitality extended to us thoughout the meeting.

MEMORIAL

To the members and messengers that compose this association: Dear Brethren:

It becomes us to call your attention to the fact that since our last session it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from us our dearly beloved brethren, Elders P. D. Gold and J. F. Farmer. Both of which served this association for a long period as moderator and clerk with marked ability.

With the passing of these gifted servants, we have sustained a great loss and some of the churches faithful and beloved under shepherds, and a gloom has been cast over us as we realize that we shall see their familiar faces in our assemblies no more. We mourn their departure but not as those that are without hope, for we sincerely believe that they have entered that rest that remains for the people of God.

Be it, therefore, Resolved: that we bow in humble submission to the will of our God, and that we devote a page in our record book to their memory. And that we extend our sympathies to the families of our deceased brethren and pray God's blessings upon them. And that we may ever hold in memory their faithful devotion and unceasing labors for the cause they loved so well.

Adopted by the association in session,

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.

ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.

Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Their Postoffices, and the Time of Holding Yearly Meeting

1. Aycocks—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; Assistant Clerk, J. W. Woodard; September 3rd Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 3.; Clerk, F. W Boswell, Wilson, N C., R. F. D. No. 3; October 3rd Sunday

4. Creech's—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, A. W. Thompson, Selma, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

5. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; Clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Saluston, N. C.; Clerk, W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4; August 1st Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.; June 1st Sunday.

8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, W. B. Boykin, Simms, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Assistant Clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.; August 2d Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, Amos Hayes, Wilson, N. C.; September 2d Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.; Clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 3rd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, Macon Brantley, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2d Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder Jesse Barnes, Lucama, N. C.; Clerk, A. M. Holland, Kenly, N. C.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, G. W. Morgan, Bailey, N. C., 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.; Clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September, 3rd Sunday.

18. Scotts—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2; October, 1st Sunday.

19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder Thomas Felton, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4; Clerk, H. S. Ward, Walstonburg, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder C. F. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, J. W. Thorn, Wilson N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Bridgers, Rocky Mount,

N. C., R. F. D.; Clerk, J. J. Thorn, Elm City, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.

23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; Clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder Jesse Barnes ---------- Lucama, N. C.
Elder R. H. Boswell ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell ---------- Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3
Elder J. T. Collier ---------- Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder Thomas Felton ---------- Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4
Elder John W. Gardner ---------- Goldsboro, N. C.
Elder C. B. Hall ---------- Hillsboro, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks ---------- Fremont, N. C.
Elder W. M. Monsees ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen ---------- Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. 1
Elder J. T. Spencer ---------- Selma, N. C.
Elder J. T. Williams ---------- Sharpsburg, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford ---------- Rocky Mount, N. C.
Elder J. W. Wyatt ---------- Selma, N. C.
Elder E. L. Cobb ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder R. E. Adams ---------- Wilson, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Brother Joseph Pittman ---------- Kenly, N. C.

CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks ---------- 1903
2. Beulah ---------- 1902-1917
3. Contentnea ---------- 1912
4. Creech's ---------- 1913
5. Cross Roads ---------- 1911-1916
6. Dudley ----------
7. Goldsboro ---------- 1888
8. Healthy Plains ---------- 1915
9. Lower Black Creek ---------- 1915
10. Memorial ---------- 1904-1919
11. Mill Branch ---------- 1911
12. Nashville ---------- 1909-1920
13. New Chapel ---------- 1891
14. Peach Tree ---------- 1910
15. Pittman's Grove ----------
16. Sandy Grove ----------
17. Sappony ----------
18. Scott's ---------- 1908

19. Upper Black Creek ---------- 1914
20. White Oak ---------- 1907
21. Wilson ---------- 1906

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in the time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The molerator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the Church of Jesus Christ being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches, in order to perpetuate a union and communion with

each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed. Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this Association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association shall be deposited

in the hands of a treasurer appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the moneys by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible, Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocates the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

CHURCHES	STATISTICAL TABLE	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
1 Aycocks	Eld. J. C. Hooks, Bro. W. G. Smith, Bro. Willie Menshew	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	$ 8.00
2 Beulah	Bro. A. B. Atkinson, L. B. Boyette, Joseph Pittman	9	0	0	1	0	2	109	14.00
3 Contentnea	Bro. W. C. Boyette, J. M. Burnette, J. B. Smith	8	0	0	0	0	2	98	10.00
4 Creeches	Bro. Troy Brown, J. B. Batten, J. H. Creech	0	0	0	0	0	2	53	8.35
5 Cross Roads	Bro. J. W. Bradley, Andrew Brewer, B. B. Parish	2	0	0	0	0	0	34	11.00
6 Dudley	Bro. W. H. Burch	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1.00
7 Goldsboro	Bro. B. F. Smith, A. H. Toler	0	0	0	0	0	1	32	14.00
8 Healthy Plains	Bro. S. W. Hayes, Hilliard Boykin, J. W. Batts	2	0	0	0	0	3	33	5.00
9 Lower Black Creek	Bro. Amos Hayes, R. L. Lucas, James Lamm	0	0	1	3	0	7	63	10.00
10 Memorial	Bro. H. M. Woodard, J. D. Pate, M. R. Hooks	2	3	0	0	0	0	98	8.00
11 Mill Branch	Bro. J. R. Luper, Henry Adams, Eld. T. H. B. Pridgen	2	1	1	2	0	2	58	7.00
12 Nashville	Bro. A. J. Price, Josiah Vick	0	0	1	0	0	1	36	5.00
13 New Chapel	Bro. Eld. J. W. Gardner, Bro. C. A. Sasser	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	11.00
14 Peach Tree	Bro. W. B. Walks, W. C. M. Sykes	1	0	1	0	1	0	18	5.00
15 Pittmans Grove	Bro. J. R. Exum, C. R. Bridgers, D. N. Bridgers	1	1	0	1	2	0	25	10.00
16 Sandy Grove	Bro. A. T. Strickland, H. S. Whitley, J. B. Murry	1	2	0	0	0	0	23	5.00
17 Sappony	Bro. J. R. Lindsey, J. D. Baker, W. B. Parker	1	0	0	0	0	1	38	4.00
18 Scotts	Eld. Jesse Burris, I. A. Lamm, David Bryant	0	0	0	1	4	0	40	9.50
19 Upper Black Creek	Bro. W. R. Barnes, W. C. Waddell, J. S. Rogerson ...	1	1	0	0	3	2	92	10.00
20 White Oak	Bro. J. G. Owens, Wm. Price	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	4.00
21 Wilson	Bro. E. L. Cobb, Eld. S. B. Denny, Bro. J. W. Thorn	7	0	0	2	0	7	98	25.00
22 Elm City	Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, J. J. Thorne	0	3	0	0	0	7	7	5.00
23 Little Vine	Bro. J. T. Lamm, D. M. Morris	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	4.00
		Total							$193.85

MINUTES OF THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

LOWER BLACK CREEK

Near Black Creek, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

OCTOBER 20, 21, 22, 1922

PROCEEDINGS

Friday October 20th. 1922.

1. The service was opened by praise and prayer, by Elder S. B. Denny.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. B. Denny. John 3 Chapter, 1-8 verses.

3. The conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

4. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator, and Eld. E. L. Cobb Clerk, who called to his assistant Bro. I. A. Lamm.

5. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders A. D. Johnson, Everett Jones, J. A. Shaw were appointed to preach today, and from following texts:

Elder Johnson, Romans 8-35 etc.

Elder Jones, "Preach the word."

Elder Shaw, Matthew 28—last verse.

7. Brethren W. C. Boyette, J. B. Murry were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters were called for and read from 23 churches.

9. Petitionary letters were called for to join this association. None called.

10. Called for corresponding and messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea—Minutes, Elder James Corbett, Brethren G. W. Gardner, Elder Tingle and others.

Little River—Minutes, J. R. Dixon, J. T. Phelps, Elders A. D. Johnson and others.

Kehukee—Elder A. B. Denson, brethren Samuel Rogerson, H. L. Trevathen and others.

Seven Mile—Minutes, W. P. Griffin, C. C. Surles.

White Oak—Elders Isaac Jones, Walter Roberts, L. H. Hardy, J. D. Brown.

Mill Branch—Minutes, none.

Baltimore—None.

Warwick—Minutes, none.

Delaware—Minutes, none.

Delaware River—Minutes, none.

Mayo—Elders H. F. Hutchens, D. G. Staples.

Stanton River—None.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes, Elder Samuel McMillan.

Lower Country Line—Minutes, Bro. M. G. Markham, J H. Gooch, Elder C. B. Hall and others.

Upper Country Line—Minutes, Elder W. M. Monsees.

Salem—Minutes, none.

Main Conference—Elder F. W. Keene.

Fisher River—Elder J. S. Morrison, F. P. Stone.

Mountain—Elder Ben Martin, Bro. A. Lundy.

11. Appointed our next session to convene with the Church at Sandy Grove to commence on riday before the fourth Sunday in October 1923 at 11 o'clock A. M. Elder C. F. Denny was chosen to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder J. C. Hooks to be his alternate.

12. The following brethren were appointed to visit sister associations as messengers.

Contentnea—Bro. J. B. Smith, J. A. Lamm.

Kehukee—Elder J. W. Wyatt, Bro. J. S. Rogerson.

Little River—Elders G. W. Boswell and T. H. B. Pridgen, brethren I. A. Lamm and W. C. Boyette.

White Oak—Elder J. C. Hooks, W. H. Borch.

Upper Country Line—Elder G. W. Boswell, J. W. Ellis, C. W. Gold.

Lower Country Line—J. J. Thorne, W. Burch, C. W. Gold.

Seven Mile—Elder Jesse Barnes, C. R. Bridgers, Elder J. T. Williams.

Mill Branch—Elder J. C. Hooks, Bro. M. R. Hooks, Eld. J. T. Coller.

Salem—Bro. C. W. Gold.

Baltimore—Elder C. F. Denny, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Warwick—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Abbotts Creek—Bro. A. T. Strickland, Elder Jesse Barnes.

Mayo—Bro. C. W. Gold, Eld. J. C. Hooks.

Staunton River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Fisher River—Elders Denny Bros., J. C. Hooks.

13th. Elders L. H. Hardy, H. F. Hutchens, J. P. Tingle, F. W. Keene, W. M. Monsees and D. A. Mewborn were appointed to preach before dinner Saturday and from texts:

Elds. L. H. Hardy, John 10-9.

H. F. Hutchinson, Deuteronmy 33-27.

J. P. Tingle, John 5-5.

F. W. Keene, 2nd. Timothy 2-19.

W. M. Monsees, Matthew 27-46.

D. A. Mewborn, Matthew 1-23.

Elders J. S. Corbett, A. B. Denson, C. B. Hall, T. B. Lancaster, D. G. Staples, Walter Roberts and Joshua Mewborn were appointed to preach after dinner Saturday and from texts:

Elds. Corbett 1st. Corinthians 13-13.

A. B. Denson, Colossians 3-3-4.

C. B. Hall, Revelations 21: 5-6.

T. B. Lancaster, 12th. Chapter Hebrews.

D. G. Staples, Hebrew 11-10 verse.

Eld. Walter Roberts, failed to text.

Joshua Mewborn, Isear 54—lost 2 verses.

Elders J. T. Coats, Samuel McMillan, Isaac Jones, J. S. Morrison, Preston Stone, Ben Martin were appointed to preach Sunday morning and from following texts:

Elders J. T. Coats, Isiah 40-1.

McMillan, Philippians 3-3.

Isaac Jones, John 6-53.

Morrison, In that day a new song shall be sang.

Stone, 1st. John 1-3.

Martin, Song of Solomon, 2: 2.

Elders J. C. Hooks, E. L. Cobb and brothren I. A. Lamm, W. C. Boyette, J. B. Murry and deacons of this church were appointed committee of arrangements.

14. The messengers were called for and the names present were inserted in the statistical table.

15. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit the sister associations were called on to report; and those who failed to attend were excused.

16. The finance committee made the following report:

Received from Churches	$178.95
Paid for printing minutes and postage	$ 32.00
Given to visiting ministers	131.95
Allowed Clerk for services	15.00
Total	$178.95

17. The report received and committee discharged.

18. In as much as our business is all transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association failing to attend on Friday, may make his report to the clerk who is authorized to receive and record same.

19. Agreed that the constitution an drules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

20. The clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond, and record one on our record.

21. The following brethren M. L. Smith, Larry Mercer, Johnnie Barden were appointed to preserve order during the services on Saturday and Sunday, with the deacons of this churuch.

22. Agreed to endorse the action of our sister associations and churches, against W. A. Simpkins, G. T. Powell and others as follows:

23. Agreed only accept correspondence by minutes or members from sister associations.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS the Ministers and churches of the Little River

Association, together with the ministers and brethren of the churches in other Associations have joined together in making a careful investigation of the corruption in the church at Raleigh, N. C., caused by the very evil conduct of W. A. Simpkins; and

WHEREAS the churches composing the said Little River Association and in an organized body, together with the Lower Country Line Association, and the Contentnea Association each in an assembled body have withdrawn fellowship from the said W. A. Simpkins and Gaston T. Powell, and all others who are holding to, walking with, and fellowshipping the said W. A. Simpkins, Gaston T. Powell and their adherents and followers:

THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, by the Black Creek Association now in session, that we do declare that we are in full fellowship with the action of our sister Associations; and

RESOLVED, further, that we declare non fellowship for the same disorder, and advise the churches and members of this Association not to affiliate in any way with the said W. A. Simpkins, Gaston T. Powell or any of their followers.

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.

Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community, who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

The association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELD. J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.
E. L. COBB, Clerk.
I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights by all the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

CONCLUSION.

Brethren and friends made ample preparations in every respect for this meeting, and kindly entertained us, and the Dear Lord blessed us with a large number of his ministering servants who came to us in the fullness of the blessings of the Gospel of Christ proclaiming "His unsearchable riches" to the comfort and consolation of His dear people.

E. L. COBB, Clerk.

The moderator dismissed the association by praise and prayer returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES AND SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

Church	Clerk or P. O. Address	No. Copies
1. Aycocks	William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.	70
2. Beulah	A. B. Atkins, Kenly, N. C.	100
3. Contentnea	F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.	90
4. Creeches	G. G. Creech, Micro, N. C.	40
5. Cross Roads	C. L. Perry, Jr., Princeton, N. C.	30
6. Dudley	W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C.	12
7. Goldsboro	A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.	30
8. Healthy Plains	Hillard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.	35
9. Lower Black Creek	Eld. J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.	70
10. Memorial	M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.	100
11. Mill Branch	Alford Joyner, Rocky Mt., N. C. R-1	50
12. Nashville	L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mt., N. C.	30
13. New Chapel	Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R-1	25
14. Peach Tree	Macon Brantley, Spring, Hope, N. C.	20
15. Pittsman Grove	C. R. Bridgers, Micro, N. C.	25
16. Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.	35
17. Sapponey	J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R-1	40
18. Scotts	I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R-2	35
19. Upper Black Creek	Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.	85
20. White Oak	Eld. E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.	15
21. Wilson, N. C.	J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.	90
22. Elm City	J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.	15
23. Little Vine	D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.	8
		1050

Associations	Clerks or Moderator—Address	No Copies
Contentnea	H. L. Brake, Rocky Mt., N. C.	30
Kehukee	R. L. Bailey, Robersonville	45
Little River	R. F. Smith, Benson, N. C.	25
Seven Mills	Eld. W. G. Turner, Dunn, N. C.	10
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones, Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Upper Counrty Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam, Jr., Altamahaw, N.C.	20
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C.	20
Mill Branch	M. Mears, Tabor, N. C.	10
Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	10
Baltimore	Frank G. Scott, Cockeysville, Md.	8
Delaware	Eld. S. H. Durand, Southampton, Pa.	8
Warwick	Elder H. C. Kerr, Middleton, N. Y.	8
Delaware River	D. M. Doorhees, Pennington, N. J.	7
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owens, Salisbury, N. C., R-2	14
Mayo	Elder J. A. Fagg, Walnut Cove, N. C.	21
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va.	16

Fisher River—Elder E. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C. 21
Black Creek—E. L. Cobb 100
Association Clerk 26
Zion—H. F. Branson, Fancy Gap, Va. 11

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Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Their Postoffices, and the Time of Holding Yearly Meeeting.

1. Aycocks—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, A .B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; Assistant Clerks, W. G. Smith, J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September 3rd. Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. 3; Clerk, F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F .D. No. 3; October 3rd. Sunday.

4. Creech's—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro. N. C.; Clerk, G. G. Creech, Micro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st. Sunday.

5. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; Clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.; September 4th. Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C.; Clerk, W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4; August 1st. Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.; June 1st. Sunday.

8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, W. B. Boykin, Blackstone, Va.; Assistant Clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.; August 2nd. Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, Amos Hayes, Wilson, N. C.; September 2nd. Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder M. B. Williford, Rocky Mount, N. C.; Clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st. Sunday.

12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder M. B. Willofrd, Rocky Mount, N. C.; September 4th. Sunday; Clerk L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mt., N. C.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 3rd. Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, Macon Brantley, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd. Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder Jesse Barnes, Smithfield N. C.; Clerk C. R. Bridgers, Micro, N. C.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. N.; Clerk, J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; 1st Sunday.

17.—Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.; Clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1; September, 3rd. Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2; October, 1st. Sunday.

19.—Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.; September 4th. Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 4; Clerk, H. S. Ward, Rich Square, N. C.; August 1st. Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder C. F. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk J. W. Thorn, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Elm City, N. C., R. F. D.; Clerk, J. J. Thorn, Elm City, N. C.; July 2nd. Sunday.

23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; Clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder Jesse Barnes ..... Lucama, N. C.
Elder R. H. Boswell ..... Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell ..... Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3
Elder J. T. Collier ..... Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny ..... Wilson, N. C.
Elder John W. Gardner ..... Goldsboro, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks ..... Fremont, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen ..... Elm City, Route 1
Elder J. T. Spencer ..... Selma, N. C.
Elder J. T. Williams ..... Sharpsburg, N. C.
Elder M. B. Williford ..... Rocky Mount, N. C.
Elder J. W. Wyatt ..... Selma, N. C.
Elder E. L. Cobb ..... Wilson, N. C.
Elder R. E. Adams ..... Wilson, N. C.
Elder C. F. Denny ..... Wilson, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Brother Joseph Pittman ..... Micro, N. C.
Brother Macon Brantley ..... Spring Hope, N. C.
Brother Johnnie Joyner ..... Sharpsburg, N. C.

CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks 1903
2. Beulah 1902-1917

3. Contentnea 1912
4. Creech's 1913
5. Cross Roads 1911-1916
6. Dudley .....
7. Goldsboro 188
8. Healthy Plains 1915
9. Lower Black Creek 1905-1922
10. Memorial 1904-1919
11. Mill Branch 1911
12. Nashville 1909-1920
13. New Chapel 1891
14. Peach Tree 1910
15. Pittman's Grove 1921
16. Sandy Grove .....
17. Sappony .....
18. Scott's 1908
19. Upper Black Creek 1914
20. White Oak 1907
21. Wilson 1906

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in the time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he give his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Associa-

tion shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12.—The moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association he equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we ,the Church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the differtn t churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed. Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church of this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majroity against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with hte Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union t ocontribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this Association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this associatio nshall be depositied in the hands of a treasurer appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when htey may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the moneys by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connectde wtih this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will be countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

Churches	Statistical Table	Record by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	DisMissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions	
Aycocks	Brethren W. G. Smith, W. R. Ballance, Willie Minshaw	8					3	73	8	
Beulah	Brethren A. B. Atkinson, J. W. Thorne, Rob. Hatcher	1	1		1		3	107	14	35
Contentnea	Brethren F. W. Boswell, W. C. Boyette, J. B. Smith	2	1	1	1	2	3	97	10	
Creeches	Brethren G. G. Creech, J. R. Hare, Troy Brown	1			1		5	47	8	35
Cross Roads	Brethren C. L. Gorley, B. P. Parash, Andrew Brewer	1						32	11	25
Dudley	Brethren Elconor Fields, W. H. Borch	9						13	6	
Goldsboro	Brethren B. F. Smith, W. H. Evans, A. H. Toler	1	3		2			34	10	
Healthy Plains	Brethren S. W. Haynes, G. C. Coleman, Hilliard Boykin	2					2	37	5	
Lower Black Creek	Brethren R. L. Lucas, M. L. Smith, L. D. Mercer	6	1	1		1	3	71	10	
Memorial	Brethren H. M. Woodard, J. E. Smith, M. R. Hooks	8	1	1			2	114	8	
Mill Branch	Brethren Alfred Joyner, Henry Adams, John Joyner		1				1	54	6	
Nashville	Brethren A. J. Price, G. W. Womble, J. H. Whitfield				3		1	31	5	
New Chapel	Brethren A. J. Smith, C. H. Sasser	1						29	8	
Peach Tree	Brethren W. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, Macon Brantley	1						20	4	
Pittman Grove	Brethren J. R. Exum, C. R. Bridgers, Lee Pope	1						28	10	
Sandy Grove	Brethren J. B. Moore, J. W. Morgan, A. T. Strickland	12						35	5	
Sappony	Brethren J. R. Lindsey, E. R. Barnes, M. D. Joyner	3					1	41	3	
Scotts	Brethren J. A. Lamm, David Bogatte, J. W. Ellis	1					4	36	6	
Upper Black Creek	Brethren J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, W. C. Waddell			2	2		1	87	10	
White Oak	Brethren J. G. Owens, Milton Reasons, Frank Whitley	2					1	17	4	
Wilson	Brethren E. L. Cobb, J. A. Stephenson, Eld. C. F. Denny	9	1		1	2	1	95	15	
Elm City	Brethren A. M. Whitehead, J. J. Thorne, Roscoe Page	4						15	5	
Little Vine	Eld. J. W. Wyatte, Brethren J. T. Lamm, D. M. Morris L. H. Hill		1					8	7	

MINUTES OF THE FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

SANDY GROVE

Near Bailey, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

October 26, 27, 28, 1923

PROCEEDINGS

Friday, October 26th, 1923.

1. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder A. B. Denson.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. F. Denny. Eph. 4th chapter, 1 to 8 verse.

3. The conference was opened by Elder Isaac Jones, with praise and prayer.

4. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator, and Elder E. L. Cobb clerk, who called Elder S. B. Denny, as assistant.

5. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders A. D. Johnson, W. M. Monsees, J. S. Corbett were appointed to preach today and from following texts:

Elder A. D. Johnson, did not get text.

Elder W. M. Monsees, Esther, 4th chapter, 16 verse.

Elder Jas. S. Corbett did not get text.

7. Brethren W. C. Boyette, and J. B. Murry were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters from 23 churches were called for and read.

9. Petitionary letters were called for to join this association. None were presented.

10. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea—Minutes, Elder T. B. Lancaster, J. P. Tingle and H. L. Brake and others.

Little River—Minutes, J. T. Hinton, T. R. Barbour, D. H. Thompson and others.

Kehukee—Minutes, Elder J. B. Harrell, J. C. Coleman, Eld A. B. Denson and others.

Seven Mile—Minutes, L. D. Hinnant, Y. P. Weaver, Elder P. E. Johnson and others.

White Oak—Minutes, Elder Isaac Jones.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Delaware—Minutes.

Delaware River—Minutes.

Mayo—None.

Stanton River—None.

Abbott's Creek—Elder Samuel McMillan, R. E. Lamm.

Lower Country Line—Minutes, Elder C. B. Hall.

Upper Country Line—Minutes, Elder W. M. Monsees.

Salem—Minutes.

Main Conference—Elder F. W. Keene.

Fisher River—None.

Zion—Minutes.

Rowan River—Elder W. R. Craft.

White Water—Elder W. N. Thorpe.

11. Appointed our next session of the Association to be held with church at Aycock's to commence on Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1924 at 11 o'clock A. M. Elder C. F. Denny was chosen to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder S. B. Denny to be his alternate.

12. The following were appointed to visit sister associations as messengers:

Contentnea—Elder J. W. Gardner, J. R. Lindsey.

Kehukee—D. M. Morris, Elder S. B. Denny.

Little River—C. R. Bridgers, A. H. Toler, B. F. Smith.

White Oak—Elder J. C. Hooks, Elder J. T. Williams, W. H. Burch.

Lower Country Line—Elders J. W. Wyatt, R. H. Boswell, C. F. Denny and W. H. Burch.

Upper Country Line—Elders J. W. Wyatt, C. F. Denny and W. H. Burch.

Seven Mile—R. L. Scott, J. S. Rogerson, C. R. Bridgers.

Mill Branch—Elder J. W. Wyatt, A. T. Strickland.

Baltimore—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Warwick—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Abbott's Creek—A. T. Strickland, J. B. Murry, W. C. Boyette.

Mayo—Elder C. F. Denny, J. W. Wyatt.

Staunton River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Fisher River—Elder C. F. Denny.

13. Elders T. B. Lancaster, W. R. Harrington, A. B. Denson at the stand, D. A. Mewborn, R. B. Harrell, J. B. Tingle were appointed to preach in the house Saturday morning and from the following texts:

Elder D. A. Mewborn, 2nd Cor. 5:18 to 21.

Elder J. B. Harrell, Luke 2:25 to 32.

Elder J. P. Tingle, Deut. 32:2.

Did not get the other three brethren texts.

Elders P. E. Johnson and Xure Lee, W. N. Thorpe at the stand, Elders E. C. Jones, F. W. Keene, W. R. Craft were appointed to preach in the house Saturday after dinner and from the following texts:

Elder E. C. Jones, Isaiah 35:8.

Elder F. W. Keene, Ex. 13:13.

Elder W. R. Craft, Jer. 1:4.

Did not get the other three brethren texts.

Elders C. B. Hall, Samuel McMillan and Isaac Jones, at the stand Sunday morning and from the following tests:

Elder C. B. Hall, Accles., last chapter 10 to 13 verse.

Elder Samuel McMillan, 15th chapter 1st Samuel, 1st verse.

Elder Isaac Jones, 9th chapter Romans, 8th verse.

14. Elders J. C. Hooks, E. L. Cobb, S. B. Denny, Brethren W. C. Boyette, J. B. Murray were appointed together with deacons of this church on committee of arrangements.

15. The messengers were called for and the names present were enserted in the statistical table.

16. The messengers appointed at our last session to visit the sister association were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

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20. Agreed that the constitutiton and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

21. The Clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond, and record on our record.

22. The following brethren J. B. Murry, H. S. Whitley, A. T. Strickland were appointed to reserve order during the services on Satuday and Sunday, together with the deacons of this church.

Resolved that our thanks be tended to all the brethren and friends of this community, who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

This association adjourned to meet at the time and place ap-

pointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the moderator.

Elder J. C. Hooks, Moderators, Fremont, N. C.
Elder E. L. Cobb, Clerk, Wilson, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny, Asst. Clerk, Wilson, N. C.

There was preaching Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights by all the ministers at the various homes in the neighborhood.

CONCLUSION

Brethren and friends made ample preparations in every way for this meeting, and kindly entertained us, and the Dear Lord blessed us with a large number of his ministering servants who came to us in the fullness of the blessings of the Gospel of Christ proclaiming "His unsearchable riches" 'to the comfort and consolation of His people.

Elder E. L. Cobb, Clerk.

The moderator dismissed the association by praise and prayer returning thanks to the brethren and friends for their kind hospitality extended to us throughout the meeting.

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20.	White Oak—Eld. E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.	1.
21.	Wilson, N. C.—J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.	900
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Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C	10
Baltimore	Frank G. Scott, Coceysville, Md.	8
Delaware	Eld. S. H. Durand, Southampton, Pa.	8
Warwick	Elder H. C. Kerr, Middleton, N. Y.	8
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Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owens, Salisbury, N. C., R 2	14
Mayo	Elder J. A. Fagg, Walnut Cove, N. C.	21
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va.	16
Fisher River	Elder E. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C.	21
Black Creek	E. L. Cobb	100
Zion	H. F. Branson, Fancy Gap, Va.	11

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Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Their Postoffices and the Time of Holding Yearly Meeting

1. Aycocks—Pastor, Eller J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; Assistant Clerks, W. G. Smith, J W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September 3rd Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.: R. F. D. 3; Clerk F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 3; October 3rd Sunday.

4. Creech's—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; Clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Eller J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C.! Clerk, W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4; August 1st Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1;Clerk A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C. June 1st Sunday.

8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, W. B. Boykin, Blackstone, Va.; Assistant Clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, Amos Hayes, Wilson, N. C.; September 2nd Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—No pastor; Clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D., No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 3rd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D, No. 1; Clerk, Macon Brantley, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder Jesse Barnes, Smithfiell, N. C.; Clerk C. R. Bridgers, Micro, N. C.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, J. B. Murry, Midllesex, N. C.; 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Eller J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.; Clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. . No. 1; September, 3rd Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 2; October 1st Sunday.

19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 4; Clerk, H. S. Ward, Rich Square, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder C. F. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Elm City, N. C., R. F. D.; Clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.

23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; Clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder Jesse Barnes _____Lucama. N. C.
Elder R. H. Boswell _____ Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell _____ Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3
Elder J. T. Collier _____ Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny _____ Wilson, N. C.
Elder John W. Gardner _____Goldsboro, N. C.

Elder J. C. Hooks ---------- Fremont, N. C.
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LICENTIATES

Brother Joseph Pittman ---------- Micro, N. C.
Brother Macon Brantley ---------- Spring Hope, N. C.
Brother Johnnie Joyner ---------- Sharpsburg, N. C.
Brother W. R. Hines ---------- Goldsboro, N. C. R 1.

CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks ---------- 1903
2. Beulah ---------- 1902-1917
3. Contentnea ---------- 1912
4. Creechs ---------- 1913
5. Cross Roads ---------- 1911-1916
6. Dudley ----------
7. Gollsboro ---------- 1888
8. Healthy Plains ---------- 1915
9. Lower Black Creek ---------- 1905-1922
10. Memorial ---------- 1904-1919
11. Mill Branch ---------- 1911
12. Nashville ---------- 1909-1920
13. New Chapel ---------- 1891
14. Peach Tree ---------- 1910
15. Pittman's Grove ---------- 1921
16. Sandy Grove ---------- 1923
17. Sappony ----------
18. Scott's ---------- 1908
19. Upper Black Creek ---------- 1914
20. White Oak ---------- 1907
21. Wilson ---------- 1906

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall

rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in the time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composel of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointmen, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be

expressed. Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicatd, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convenel shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage for the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of is members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for

the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel withing the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in ur churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Names of Messengers'	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions
Aycocks	Eld. J. C. Hooks, Brethren W. G. Smith, Willie Minshew	3	--	--	--	--	--	77	$ 8.00
Beulah	Brethren A. B. Atkinson, C. F. Broadwell, S. E. Woodard	2	--	--	1	--	2	106	11.00
Contentnea	Brethren W. F. Boswell, W. C. Boyette, J. B. Smith	1	--	--	2	1	3	93	10.00
Creeches	Brethren A. W. Thompson, J. H. Creech, Troy Brown	3	2	--	--	--	4	48	8.65
Cross Roads	Brethren C. L. Grevley, Andrew Brewer, B. P. Parrish	--	--	--	--	--	--	31	8.00
Dudley	Brethren L. Kana Fields, W. H. Burch	--	--	--	--	--	--	13	2.50
Goldsboro	Brethren B. F. Smith, W. H. Evans, A. H. Toler	1	--	--	--	--	1	34	10.00
Lower Black Creek	Brethren R. L. Lucas, L. D. Mercer, Johnnie Barden	3	--	--	--	--	5	69	10.00
Healthy Plains	Brethren G. C. Coleman, Jim Skinner, Hillard Boykin	2	--	--	--	--	2	37	5.00
Memorial	Brethren J. T. Hooks, J. D. Pate, M. R. Hooks	1	1	--	1	1	6	109	8.00
Mill Branch	Brethren Henry Adams, E. P. Weaver, John Joyner	2	--	--	--	7	1	54	6.00
Nashville	Brethren A. J. Price, G. W. Womble, Henry Whitfield	--	--	--	2	--	3	28	5.00
New Chapel	Brethren W. R. Hines, Andrew Gurley, Eld. J. W. Gardner	--	--	--	--	--	--	29	10.00
Peach Tree	Brethren W. B. Walker, W. C. Sykes	1	--	--	--	--	1	20	4.00
Pittman's Grove	Brethren Lee Pope, R. L. Scott, C. R. Bridgers	1	--	--	--	--	1	28	10.00
Sandy Grove	Brethren J. E. Murry, H. S. Whitley, A T. Strickland	14	--	--	--	--	1	47	5.00
Sappony	Brethren W. A. Joyner, W. D. Joyner, J. D. Jones.	--	--	--	--	--	1	40	4.00
Scotts	Brethren Isaac Lamm, S. A. Lamm, David Bryant	--	--	--	1	1	2	31	6.50
Upper Black Creek	Brethren W. R. Barnes, J. W. Price, J. S Rogerson	5	--	--	1	--	4	47	10.00
White Oak	Brethren J. I. Reasons, Frank Whitley, J. G. Owens	2	--	--	--	--	--	19	4.00
Wilson	Brethren R. E. Adams Eld. C. F. Denny, J. A. Stephenson	2	--	--	2	--	4	86	22.50
Elm City	Brethren A. M. Whitley, Roscoe Page, J. J. Thorne	1	2	--	--	--	--	18	5.00
Little Pine	Brethren D. M. Morris. Eld. J. W. Wyatt J T. Lamm	1	--	--	--	--	--	9	8.00

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1. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. W. Gardner.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. F. Denny.

3. The conference was opened by Elder R. H. Boswell with praise and prayer.

4. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator, and E. L. Cobb Clerk, who called I. H. Lamm as assistant.

5. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders Geo. Corbett, J. B. Harrell, J. A. Shaw were appointed to preach this afternoon.

7. Brethren W. C. Boyette and J. B. Murry were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for and read.

9. Petitionary letters were called for to join this association, none came.

10. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea—Minutes. H. L. Brake, Elder T. B. Lancaster and J. J. Eason.

Little River—Minutes R. L. Smith, Elder E. F. Pearce and Elder Jesse Barnes.

Kehukee—Minutes. Elder J. A. Shaw, Elder J. B. Harrell.

Seven Mile—Minutes. Willie Griffin, G. W. Stancil, J. G. Turlington.

White Oak—Minutes. Elder Isaac Jones.

Mill Branch—Minutes. E. L. Vaught.

Baltimore—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Delaware River—Minutes.

Stanton River—Minutes.

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Upper Country Line—Minutes. Elder W. M. Monsees

Salem—Minutes.

Fisher River—Minutes.

Zion—Minutes.

Delaware—No minutes.

Mayo—No minutes. Elder G. M. Trent.

Abbott's Creek—No minutes. Elder Sam McMillon.

Mountain—Eld. M. B. Martin.

Rowan River—Elder W. R. Craft.

Hunting Quarter Church—Elder L. H. Hardy.

11. Appointed out next session of the association to be held with the church at Elm City to commence on Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1925, at 11 o'clock A. M. Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen to preach the introductory sermon and Elder Geo. Boswell to be his alternate.

12. The following were appointed to visit sister associations as messengers.

Contentnea—W. E. Hooks, J. B. Boswell, I. A. Lamm, J. W. Ellis, W. H. Burch.

Kehukee—D. M. Morris, W. E. Hooks, Eld. J. T. Williams.

Little River—J. R. Exum, Lea Pope, C. R. Bridgers.

White Oak—Eld. C. F. Denny, Elder J. T. Williams.

Lower Country Line—Elder C. F. Denny, W. H. Burch, Eld. J. W. Gardner.

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Mill Branch—Eld. J. C. Hooks, M. R. Hooks.

Baltimore—None. Elder C. F. Denny.

Delaware—None.

Delaware River—None.

Warwick—None.

Abbott's Creek—C. C. Vaughon, I. A. Lamm, W. C. Boyette, J. W. Ellis.

Mayo—None.

Staunton River—None.

Fisher River—None.

13. Elders E. F. Pearce, J. P. Tingle, M. B. Martin at the stand, and Elders D. A. Mewborn, W. R. Craft, G. M. Trent, in the house were appointed to preach Saturday morning

Elders L. H. Hardy, J. B. Roberts, C. B. Hall at the stand, and Elders W. B. Kearney, T. B. Lancaster, E. C. Stone in the house, were appointed to preach after dinner Saturday afternoon.

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ELD. E. L. COBB, Clerk.
I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

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19. Upper Black Creek	Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.	85
20. White Oak	Eld. E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.	15
21. Wilson, N. C.	J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.	90
22. Elm City	J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.	15
23. Little Vine	D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.	8
		1050

Associations	Clerks or Moderator—Address	No. Copies
Contentnea	H. L. Brake, Rocky Mount, N. C.	30
Kehukee	R. L. Bailey, Robersonville	45
Little River	R. F. Smith, Benson, C.	25
Seven Mile	Eld. W. G. Turner, Dunn, N. C.	10
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones, Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam, Jr., Altamahaw, N. C.	20
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C.	20

Mill Branch—M. Mears, Tabor, N. C. ---------- 10
Salem—W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. ---------- 10
Baltimore—Frank G. Scott, Coceysville, Md. ---------- 8
Delaware—Eld. S. H. Durand, Southampton, Pa. ------ 8
Warwick—Elder H. C. Kerr, Middleton, N. Y. .
Delaware River—D. M. Doorhees, Pennington, N. J. ------ 7
Abbott's Creek—A. L. Owens, Salisbury, N. C., R. 2. ----- 14
Mayo—Elder J. A. Fagg, Walnut Cove, N. C. ---------- 21
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va. ---------- 16
Fisher River—Elder E. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C. -------- 21
Black Creek—E. L. Cobb ----------100
Zion—H. F. Branson, Fancy Gap, Va. ---------- 11

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Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Their Postoffices and the Time of Holding Yearly Meeting

1. Aycocks—Pastor, Elder . C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, William Ricks, Fremont, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; Assistant Clerks, W. G. Smith, J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September 3rd Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. 3; Clerk F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 3; October 3rd Sunday.

4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; Clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro; G. G. Creech, Clerk, Micro; August 4th Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Saulston, N. C.; Clerk, W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4; August 1st Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C.; June 1st Sunday.

8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 3; Clerk, W. B. Boykin, Blackstone, Va.; Assistant Clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, Amos Hayes, Wilson, N. C.; September 2nd Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—Elder A. B. Denson, Rocyl Mount, N. C.;

Clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D., No. 1; August 1st Sunday.
Mount, N. C., R. F. D., No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 3rd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, Macon Brantley, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder Jesse Barnes, Smithfield, N. C.; Clerk, C. R. Bridgers, Micro, N. C.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk, J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Nashville, N. C.; Clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D., No. 1; September, 3rd Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 2; October 1st Sunday.

19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

20.—White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 4; Clerk, J. J. Eason Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder C. F. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; Clerk J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. D. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D.; Clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.

23.. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; Clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POOSTOFFICE

Elder Jesse Barnes _____Lucama, N. C.
Elder R. H. Boswell _____Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell _____Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3
Elder J. T. Collier _____Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny _____Wilson, N. C.
Elder John W. Gardner _____Goldsboro, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks _____Fremont, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen _____Elm City, Route 1
Elder J. T. Spencer _____Selma, N. C.
Elder J. T. Williams _____Sharpsburg, N. C.
Elder J. W. Wyatt _____Selma, N. C.

Elder E. L. Cobb ----------Wilson, N. C.
Elder R. E. Adams ----------Wilson, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Brother Joseph Pittman ----------Micro, N. C.
Brother Macon Brantley ----------Spring Hope, N. C.
Brother Johnnie Joyner ----------Sharpsburg, N. C..
Brother W. R. Hines ----------Goldsboro, N. C. R. 1.

CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks ----------1903-1924
2. Beulah ----------1902-1917
3. Contentnea ----------1912
4. Creeches ----------1913
5. Cross Roads ----------1911-1916
6. Dudley ----------
7. Goldsboro ----------1888
8. Healthy Plains ----------1915
9. Lower Black Creek ----------1905-1922
10. Memorial ----------1904-1919
11. Mill Branch ----------19911
12. Nashville ----------1909-1920
13. New Chapel ----------1891
14. Peach Tree ----------1910
15. Pittman's Grove ----------1921
16. Sandy Grove ----------1923
17. Sappony ----------
18. Scott's ----------1908
19. Upper Black Creek ----------1914
20. White Oak ----------1907
21. Wilson ----------1906
22. Little Vine ----------
23. Elm City ----------

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a unionand communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed. Their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this anion.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

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Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage for the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if

found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art.13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

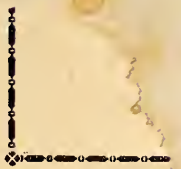
Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churces all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union.

Art.15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall trav-

el within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAME OF MESSENGERS	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. of Members	Contributions
Aycock's	W. G. Smith, W. R. Ballace, Willie Matthew	1	--	2	--	1	1	78	$ 8 00
Beulah	A. P. Atkinson, Joseph Pittman, G. S. Davis	7	--	--	--	--	1	111	15.55
Contentnea	W. C. Boyette, Eld. R. H. Boswell, J. B. Smith	2	--	--	--	--	2	93	10.00
Creeches	J. R. Hare, T. R. Atkinson, G. G. Creech	1	2	--	--	--	1	50	10.00
Cross Roads	Andrew Brewer, B. P. Parrish, C. L. Gurley		--	--	--	--	1	30	10.44
Dudley	R. E. Fields, W. H. Burch		2	--	--	--	1	15	3.00
Goldsboro	B. F. Smith, W. H. Evans, A. H. Toler		2	1	--	--	--	37	14..00
Lower Black Creek	M. L. Smith, Johnnie Barden, R. L. Barnes	3	--	--	--	--	--	72	8.00
Healthy Plains	G. C. Coleman, J. B. Glover, Hillare Boykin	4	--	--	--	--	--	41	5.00
Memorial	H. M. Woodard, J. D. Pate, M. R. Hooks	1	--	1	1	--	2	108	10 00
Mill Branch	E. P. Weaver, Johnnie Joyner, Alfred Joyner	2	--	--	2	--	1	54	6.00
Nashville	L. G. Edwards, G. W. Womble, A. J. Price		--	--	--	--	1	27	5.00
Peach Tree	W. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, S. A. Walker		--	--	--	--	1	18	3.00
New Chapel	Ed Vail, A. J. Smith	1	1	--	--	--	1	30	10 00
Pittman's Grove	J. R. Exum, C. R. Bridgers, Lee Pope		--	--	--	--	--	28	10.00
Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, L. G. Brantley, M. C Brantley	18	--	--	--	--	2	63	5.00
Scotts	J. W. Ellis, David Bryant, I. A. Lamm	2	--	4	--	--	--	38	6.00
Upper Black Creek	J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, J. W. Price		--	--	--	1	2	84	10.00
White Oak	J. I. Reason, J. G. Owens, Frank Whitley	2	--	--	--	1	--	18	5.00
Wilson	Eld. C. F. Denny, E. L. Cobb, J. W. Thorne	6	1	--	2	--	8	83	20.00
Elm City	A. M. Whitehead, Roscoe Page, J. J. Thorne		--	--	--	1	1	17	5.00
Little Vine	D. M. Morris, J. T. Lamm, R. N. Raeford	1	--	--	--	--	--	10	6.25
Sappony	J. R. Lindsey, E. B. Barnes, N. D. Joyner	1	--	--	--	1	1	39	5.00



MINUTES OF THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the Church at

ELM CITY

ELM CITY, N. C.

FRIDAY SATURDAY and SUNDAY

October 23, 24, 25 1925

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Proceedings Friday, October 23rd, 1925

1st. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. W. Gardner.

2nd. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. C. Hooks from the following text: 20th and 21st verses of the 2nd chapter of 2nd Cor.

3rd. The conference was opened by Elder J. T. Collier with praise and prayer.

4th. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator, and Elder E. L. Cobb clerk, who called to his assistance Brother I. A. Lamm.

5th. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6th. Elders W. E. Grimes, D. A. Mewborn, Geo. Corbett and J. A. Shaw were sent to the stand to preach this afternoon, and they used the following texts: W. E. Grimes, 1st verse Epistle of John; D. A. Mewborn, 1st and 2nd verses 1st Chapter 1st Peter; Geo. Corbett, 6th verse of 14th chapter John; J. A. Shaw, 1st verse of 12th Chapter of Heb.

Elders J. S .Corbett, W. R. Craft, J. W. Gilliam, Jr., H. F. Hutchens preached Friday night and from the following texts: J. A. Shaw, Luke 17th chapter; W. R. Craft, 1st chapter of 1st Peter; J. W. Gilliam, Jr., 2nd chapter of Acts; H. F. Hutchens, 14th and 15th verse 4th chapter Song of Sol.

7th. Brethren W. C. Boyette and J. B. Murray were appointed on committee of finance.

8th. Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for an read.

9th. Petitionary letters to join this association was called for.

10th. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea, Minutes, J. J. Eason, H. L. Brake, E. A. Stanfield and Eld. Geo. Corbett.

Little River, D. L. Godwin and R. D. Langdon.

Kehukee, Minutes, Elders W. E. Grimes, J. B. Harrell, J. A. Shaw.

Seven Mile, Minutes, J. W. Stancil, Jason Allen and others.

White Oak, Minutes, Elders Isaac Jones, E. F. Pollard, Bro. J. D. Brown.

Mill Branch, None.

Baltimore, Minutes. None.

Warwick, Minutes, Bro. J. L. Thompson.

Delaware River, Minutes, none.

Staunton River, Minutes. None.

Lower Country Line, Minutes, Elder C. B. Hall, Brethren A. L. Galloway and M. G. Markham.

Upper Country Line, Minutes, Elders T. A. Stanfield, J. W. Gilliam, M. B. Martin.

Salem, Minutes. None.

Fisher's River, Minutes, Elder J. S. Morrison.

Zion, Minutes. None.

Delaware, Minutes. None.

Mayo, Elder H. F. Hutchens.

Abbott's Creek, Elder Sam McMillian, Bro. A. C. Vanhoy.

Elkhorn, Elder J. M. Wyatt.

Rowan River, Elder W. R. Craft.

Hunting Quarter Church, Elder L. H. Hardy.

11th. Appointed our next session of the association to be held with the church at Sappony to commence Friday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1926, at 11 o'clock A. M. Elder J. T. Williams to preach the introductory sermon and Elder R. H. Boswell to be his alternate.

12th. The following were appointed to visit sister associations:

Contentnea, Elders R. E. Adams, C. F. Denny and Brother E. B. Barnes.

Kehukee, Elders R. E. Adams, T. H. B. Pridgen and Bro. E P. Weaver.

Little River, D. A. Thompson, I. A. Lamm, J. B. Murry, Charley Bridgers.

White Oak, Elders R. E. Adams, C. F. Denny, J. T. Collier.

Lower County Line, Elder C. F. Denny, Brethren J. J. Thorne, W. H. Burch.

Upper Country Line, Elders R. E. Adams, R. H. Boswell, E. L. Cobb.

Seven Mile, R. L. Scott, C. R. Bridgers, B. F. Smith.

Mill Branch, Elders R. H. Boswell, J. C. Hooks, C F. Denny.

Baltimore, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Delaware River, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Warwick, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Abbott's Creek, Elder R. H. Boswell, Bro. J. B. Murry.

Mayo, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Staunton River, Elder J. W. Wyatt.

Fisher's River, Brethren D. M. Morris, F. W. Boswell.

13th. Elders L. H. Hardy, T. A. Stanfield, J. M. Wyatt, J. W. Gilliam, N. H. Harrison, J. P. Tingle, M. B. Martin, E. F. Pollard, J. B. Harrell, J. S. Morrison preached Saturday and at night from the following texts: L. H. Hardy, 1st and 4th verses 97 Psalms; T. A. Stanfield, 10th verse, 35th chapter Psalm; J. M. Wyatt, 1st verse, 17th chapter John; E. F. Pollard, Loaves and Fishes; J. W. Gilliam, Isaiah 7th-26; N. H. Harrison, 10th Chapter Acts; J. P. Tingle, 23rd Psalms; M. B. Martin, 4th and 5th verses 111 Psalms; J. B. Harrison, 1st and 4th verses 17th Matt.; J. S. Morrison, 1st verse 26th chapter Isaiah.

Elders J. L. Ross, Sam McMillian, Isaac Jones, W. B. Kearney, J. E. Mewborn, J. H. Stephenson, F. W. Keene, C. B. Hall preached Sunday morning and evening from the following texts.

J. L. Ross, 5-17 Matt; S. McMillian, Upon all the hills; Isaac Jones 20th chapter Rev.; W. B. Keene, 9 and 20th verses 5th chapter Acts; J. E. Mewborn, By Man Came Death, etc.; L. H. Stephenson, 10th verse 10th chapter Heb.; F. W. Keene, 21st and 22nd verse 25th chapter Exodus; C. B. Hall, 19th verse, 2nd chapter Phil.

14th. Brother W. C. Boyette was appointed together with the deacons of this church on a committee of arrangements.

-5th. The messengers were called for and the names of those present were entered in the statistical table.

16th. The messengers that were appointed last year to visit the sister associations were called upon to report, and those who failed to attend were excused.

17th. The committee on finance made the following report:

Received from churches		$184.95
Paid for printing minutes and postage	$30.00	
Allowed clerk for services	15.00	
Given to visiting ministers		$139.95
	$184.95	$184.95

18th. The report was received, and the committee was discharged after disposing the funds to the proper ones.

19th. In as much as all our business is transacted on Friday, it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association failed to attend on Friday, make his report to the clerk who is authorized to receive same and record his name.

20th. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

21st. The clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond, and record one on our record.

22nd. The following Brethren, Roscoe Page and Culley Pridgen were appointed, together with the deacons of this church, to reserve order during the services Saturday and Sunday.

23rd. Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community, who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

24th. This association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.
BROTHER I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

Brethren and friends made ample preparations in every way for this meeting, and kindly entertained us, and the dear Lord blessed us with a large number of His servants who came in the fullness of the Gospel of Christ, proclaiming "His unsearchable riches" to the comfort and consolation of His people.

ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.

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4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; clerk, C .L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C., September 4th Sunday.
5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk G. G. Creech, Kenly, N. C., August 4th Sunday.
6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Greenville, N. C.; clerk, Carrie Potts, Mt. Olive, N. C., August 3rd Sunday.
7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C. R F. D. No. 1; clerk, B. F. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1st Sunday.
8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, W. F. Boykin, Blackstone, Va., assistant clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C., August 2nd Sunday.
9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N C.; clerk, R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C., September 2nd Sunday.
10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.
11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder A. B. Denson, Rocky Mount, N. C.; clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.
12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, R. F. D. No. 2, September 4th Sunday.
13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N C., R. F. D. No. 1; clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 2nd Sunday.
14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C. clerk, S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.
15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder Jesse Barnes, Smithfield, N. C.; clerk, Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.
16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.
17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1, September 3rd Sunday.
18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, October 2nd Sunday.
19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. S. Rogerson, Kenly, N. C.; Sepetmber 4th Sunday.
20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E .L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, J. J. Eason, Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.
21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder C. F. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk,

J W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.

23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1; July 2nd Sunday.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder R. H. Boswell ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell ---------- R. F. D. No. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. T. Collier ---------- Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny ---------- Wilson, N. C.
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Elder J. W. Wyatt ---------- Selma, N. C.
Elder E. L. Cobb ---------- Wilson, N. C.
Elder R. E. Adams ---------- Wilson, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Brother Joheph Pittman ---------- Micro, N. C.
Brother Macon Brantley ---------- Spring Hope, N. C.
Brother Johnnie Joyner ---------- Sharpsburg, N. C.
Brother W. R. Hines ---------- Wilson, N. C.

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7.	Goldsboro—A. H. Toler, Goldsboro, N. C. ----------	30
8.	Healthy Plains—Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C. ----------	35
9.	Lower Black Creek—Eld. J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C. ----	70
10.	Memorial—M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C. ----------	100
11.	Mill Franch—Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C. R 1 ----	50
12.	Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C. ----------	30
13.	New Chapel—Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R 1 ----------	25
14.	Peach Tree—Macon Brantley, Spring Hope, N. C. ----	20
15.	Pittman Grove—C. R. Bridgers, Micro, N. C. ----------	25
16.	Sandy Grove—J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C. ----------	35
17.	Sappony—J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. 1 ----------	40
18.	Scotts—I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. 2 ----------	35
19.	Upper Black Creek—Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C. ----	85
20.	White Oak—Eld. E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C. ----------	15
21.	Wilson, N. C.—J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C. ----------	90
22.	Elm City,—J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C. ----------	15
23.	Little Vine—D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C. ----------	8
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Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	10
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Black Creek	E. L. Cobb	100
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CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks ---------- 1903-1924
2. Beulah ---------- 1902-1917
3. Contentnea ---------- 1912
4. Creeches ---------- 1913
5. Cross Roads ---------- 1911-1916
6. Dudley ----------
7. Goldsboro ---------- 1888
8. Healthy Plains ---------- 1915
9. Lower Black Creek ---------- 1905-1922
10. Memorial ---------- 1904-1919
11. Mill Branch ---------- 1911
12. Nashville ---------- 1909-1920
13. New Chapel ---------- 1891
14. Peach Tree ---------- 1910
15. Pittman's Grove ---------- 1921
16. Sandy Grove ---------- 1923
17. Sappony ----------
18. Scott's ---------- 1908
19. Upper Black Creek ---------- 1914
20. White Oak ---------- 1907
21. Wilson ---------- 1906
22. ittle Vine ----------
23. Elm City ---------- 1925

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the persons who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12.—The Moderator shall be the last person who shall spea kto the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of member chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed, their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage for the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have the power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of

any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAME OF MESSENGERS	Baptised	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Dis. by letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. of Members	Contribution
Aycock's	Eld. J. C. Hooks, W. G. Smith, Willie Minshew	--	--	--	--	1	2	73	$ 8.00
Beulah	Gaston Pittman, S. E. Woodard, J. W. Woodard	2	--	--	--	--	3	111	13.00
Contentnea	W. C. Boyette, F. W. Boswell, D. A. Thompson	8	2	--	--	--	4	97	10.00
Cross Roads	Andrew Brewer, B. P. Parrish, J. W. Brady, C. L. Gurley	--	--	--	--	--	1	30	10.55
Dudley	R. E. Fields, Carrie Potts	1	--	--	--	--	1	14	3.00
Goldsboro	A. H. Toler, W. H. Evans, B. F. Smith, D. C. Vanhoy	1	1	2	--	3	2	36	10.00
Lower Black Creek	R. L. Lucas, S. P. Strickland, Johnnie Barden	12	--	--	--	--	3	81	8.00
Healthy Plains	Hilliard Boykin, D. A. Fulghum, Jim Skinner	6	--	--	--	--	3	44	5.00
Memorial	R. L. Hooks, G. M. Davis, M. R. Hooks	5	--	--	--	--	6	107	10.00
Mill Branch	Henry Adams, E. P. Weaver, Johnnie Joyner	--	--	--	--	2	2	50	6.00
Nashville	J. T. Williams, J. H. Whitfield, Johnny Joyner	--	--	--	--	--	1	27	5.00
Peach Tree	W. B. Walker, W. C. M. Sykes, S. A. Walker	--	--	--	--	--	--	18	3.00
New Chapel	Andrew Gurley, C. A. Sasser	--	--	--	--	--	--	30	12.00
Pittman's Grove	C. R. Bridges, Lee Pope, R. L. Scott	--	--	1	--	--	--	29	5.00
Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, L. G. Brantley, J. C. Powell	4	--	--	--	--	2	65	5.00
Scott's	I. A. Lamm, S. A. Lamm, David Bryant	--	--	1	--	--	--	39	6.00
Upper Black Creek	J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, Barnes Pope	1	--	--	--	--	4	81	10.00
White Oak	Frank Whitley, J. M. Walston, J. G. Owens, T. J. Reasons	3	--	--	--	--	--	19	5.00
Wilson	Eld. R. E. Adams, J. A. Stephenson, T. D. Thomas	4	1	--	--	--	2	84	25.00
Elm City	A. M. Whitehead, Roscoe Page, J. J. Thorne	--	--	1	1	1	--	17	5.00
Little Vine	D. M. Morris, L. H. Hill, R. N. Radford	--	--	--	--	--	1	9	5.80
Sappony	E. B. Barnes, J. R. Lindsey, J. D. Baker	9	2	--	1	--	3	46	5.00
Creeches	Noah Pittman, J. H. Creech, Troy Brown	4	--	1	--	2	--	33	9.60
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MINUTES OF THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the Church at

SAPPONY

NEAR

Nashville, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY

October 23, 24 and 25, 1926

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22ND, 1926

1. The services were opened with praise and prayer by Elder R. H. Boswell.

2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. T. Williams, and from the following text: 1st verse, 1st chapter John.

3. The conference was opened with praise and prayer by Elder C. B. Hall.

4. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator and Elder E. L. Cobb, clerk who called Brother I. A. Lamm to his assistance.

5. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6. Elders D. A. Mewborn and A. B. Denson were sent to the stand to preach and they used the following texts, D. A. Mewborn, 2nd chapter Eph. 3, 9, 10 verses; A. B. Denson, 15th chapter Cor. 49. 50 verses.

7. Brethren W. C. Boyette and J. B. Murray were appointed a committee on finance.

8. Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for and read.

9. Petitionary letters to join this association was called for, but none came forward.

10. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea—Minutes. Elders D. A. Mewborn, Bro. George Gardner and others.

Little River—Brethren J. T. Hinton, R. D. Langdon.

Kehukee—Minutes. Elder A. B. Denson, Brother W. H. Worsley.

Seven Mile—Minutes. Bro. W. P. Griffin.

White Oak—Minutes. Bro. J. A. Hewitt.

Mill Branch—Minutes. Brethren F. C. Wright, E. L. Vaught.

Baltimore—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

Delaware—Minutes.

Staunton River—No Minutes.

Lower Country Line—Minutes. Elders C. B. Hall, J. A. Herndon, Bro. M. G. Markham.

Upper Country Line—Minutes Elder M. B. Martin.

Salem—Minutes.
Fisher's River—No Minutes.
Zion—Minutes.
Delaware River—Minutes.
Mayo—No Minutes.
Abbott's Creek—No Minutes.
Oconee—Elder J. M. Adams.

11. Appointed our next session of our association to be held with the church at White Oak, to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in October 1927 at 11 o'clock A. M. The introductory sermon is to be preached by Elder S. B. Denny, and Elder R. H. Bos-Boswell to be his alternate.

12. The following were appointed to visit the sister associations:

Contentnea—Elder R. E. Adams, Brethren J. W. Ellis, J. S. Rogerson.

Kehukee—Elders R. E. Adams, S. B. Denny, Bro. J. S. Rogerson.

Little River—Elder R. H. Boswell, Bro. D. A. Thompson.

White Oak—Elder R. E. Adams, Bro. J. A. Stephenson.

Lower Country Line—Elders R. E. Adams, S. B. Denny, Bro. W. H. Burch.

Upper Country Line—Elder J. W. Wyatt, Brethren W. H. Burch, L. H. Hill.

Seven Mile—Eld. Geo. Boswell, Brethren R. L. Scott, I. A. Lamm, D. A. Thompson.

Mill Branch—Elders J. C. Hooks, R. H. Boswell.
Baltimore, Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Delaware—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Delaware River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Warwick—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Abbott's Creek—Elder R. H. Boswell, Bro. D. C. Vanhoy.

Mayo—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Staunton River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Fisher's River—Elder S. B. Denny.

13. The officers of this association together with the deacons of this church were appointed a committee of arrangements.

14. Elders J. A. Herndon, M. B. Martin, J. L. Ross were appointed to preach Saturday morning, and they used the following texts, J. A. H., 10th chapter Romans, 10th verse, 11th chapter Matthew, 25th verse; M. B. M., 2nd chapter Daniels 8, 9, 10 verses; J. L. R., 9th chapter Matthew, 12th verse.

Elders J. S. Corbett, J. M. Adams, C. B. Hall were appointed to preach Saturday afternoon, and they used the following texts: J. S. C., 1st chapter 1st John, 1, 2 verses; J. M. A., 4th chapter 1st Timothy; C. B. H., 5th chapter 2nd Chronicles, 1st verse.

Elders A. M. Crisp, O. J. Denny, J. E. Mewborn, N. H. Harrison, were appointed to preach Sunday morning and they used the following texts: A. M. C., 34th chapter Psalms, 31st verse; O. J. D., 28th chapter Matthew, 19th and 20th verses; J. E. M., 17th chapter John, 8 to 10 verses. N. H. H., did not get text.

Elders J. C. Moore and W. M. Monsees also attended our association at which we welcomed them but time and weather did not permit the use of them, so we ask you to come again as we were glad to have you.

15. The messengers were called for and the names present were entered in the statistical table.

16. The messengers that were appointed last year to visit the sister associations were called on to report and all those that failed to attend were excused.

17. The committee on finance made the following report:

Received from churches		$166.50
Paid for printing minutes	$ 30.00	
Allowed clerk for services	15.00	
Given to visiting ministers	121.50	
		$166.50

18. The report was received and the committee was discharged after the disposing of the money to the proper ones.

19. Inasmuch as all our business is done on Friday it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association failed to report on Friday can make his report to the clerk any time during the meeting and the clerk is authorized to record same in the minutes.

20. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

21. The clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond and record one on our minutes or records.

22. The following brethren, Nick Joyner, W. B. Parker, W. N. Cockrell, were appointed to preserve order during the services Saturday and Sunday.

23. Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community, who have so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that the moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

24. Agreed that this association adopt expressions of grief at the death of one of or beloved ministers, who has since our last sitting, departed this life, by having an obituary written and made a part of our minutes, and copy be sent to the family and one printed in the Landmark. Obituary to be written by his brother, Elder S. B. Denny.

OBITUARY OF ELDER C. F. DENNY

Elder C. F. Denny, of Wilson, N. C., was born in Surry County, N. C., March 14, 1869, and united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Pilot Mountain, N. C., May 29, 1899.

The same day his first wife, Cora Mitchel Denny, was laid to rest, he stated, while sitting by her grave that he could not return to his home without discharging his duty toward the church, as his companion expressed a desire so many times that they be baptized together, so he quietly related a sweet hope in a crucified Saviour and was baptized the same afternoon.

He was married the second time to Mollie B. Comer, of Surry County, who departed this life March 14, 1911, and is survived by his loving widow, Ora N. Denny, formerly Ora N. Jackson, of Macon, Georgia, and five children.

He was ordained to the full work of the ministry December 26, 1904, serving one to three churches constantly until his death which took place April 18, 1926, after an illness of some three months from heart affection.

It was the writer's privilege to visit him daily while in the hospital where he remained six weeks. Until just a few days before his death, he would request me to remember him in prayer, and ask the Lord to restore him to his loved ones and to his church: and, then realizing that death was near, he requested me in the presence of his companion and daughter to ask the Lord not to restore him to health, but to give him a sweet, peaceful dismission from time, saying that to depart and be with Christ was far better.

He emulated during his sickness, I feel, the very spirit of our Saviour, as he was made to pray constantly for his loved ones, his churches, his friends, and his enemies, and died as he had lived in that quiet, peaceful and gentle manner.

The funeral was conducted at the Primitive Baptist Church in Wilson at 4 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, by Elders C. B. Hall, and J. C. Hooks, and his remains were laid to rest in Maplewood Cemetery beneath a mound of beautiful floral offerings.

Written by request,

S. B. DENNY.

This association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator.
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.
BROTHER I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES AND THE TIME OF HOLDING YEARLY MEETINGS

1. Aycock's—Pastor Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C. Clerk W. G. Smith, Fremont, N. C., September 4th Sunday.
2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September 3rd Sunday
3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., F. R. D. No 3; October 3rd Sunday.
4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; Clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C., September 4th Sunday.
5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; Clerk, G. G. Creech, Kenly, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.
6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Greenville, N. C.; Clerk, Carrie Potts, Mt. Olive, N. C., August 3rd Sunday.
7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1; Clerk, B. F. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1st Sunday.
8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C,. R. F. D. No. 3; Clerk, W. F. Boykin, Blackstone, Va., assistant Clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C., August 2nd Sunday.
9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C., September 2nd Sunday.
10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.
11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder A. B. Denson, Rocky Mount,

N. C.; clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, R. F. D., No. 2; September 4th Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D., No. 1; clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 2nd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C., clerk, S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—No pastor; clerk, Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, J. R. Lindsey ,Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1, September 3rd Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D., No. 2, October 2nd Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, J. J. Eason, Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder J. C. Moore, Whitakers, N. C.; clerk, J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.

23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C., R. F. D. No 1; July 2nd Sunday

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder R. H. Boswell ---------- Wilson, N. C.
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16. Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.	35
17. Sappony	J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. 1	40
18. Scotts	I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. 2.	35
19. Upper Black Creek	Thomas Ferrell, Lucama, N. C.	85
20. White Oak	Eld. E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.	15
21. Wilson, N. C.	J. W. Thorne, Stantonsburg, N. C.	90
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CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1. Aycocks ---------- 1903-1924
2. Beulah ---------- 1902-1917
3. Contentnea ---------- 1912
4. Creeches ---------- 1913
5. Cross Roads ---------- 1911-1916
6. Dudley ----------
7. Goldsboro ---------- 1888
8. Healthy Plains ---------- 1915
9. Lower Black Creek ---------- 1905-1922
10. Memorial ---------- 1904-1919
11. Mill Branch ---------- 1911
12. Nashville ---------- 1909-1920
13. New Chapel ---------- 1891
14. Peach Tree ---------- 1910
15. Pittman's Grove ---------- 1921
16. Sandy Grove ---------- 1923
17. Sappony ---------- 1926
18. Scott's ---------- 1908
19. Upper Black Creek ---------- 1914
20. White Oak ---------- 1907
21. White Oak ---------- 1907
22. Little Vine ----------
23. Elm City ---------- 1925

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the persons who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11.—The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak to the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed, their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Associaton, except it be wthdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best meth-

od of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art.12. The Minutes of this Association when prpinted, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have the power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collection of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union, societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAME OF MESSENGERS	Baptised	Rec'd. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded Deceased	Total Members	Contributions
Aycocks	W. G. Smith, Willie Minshew, S. H. Blow	5	--	--	--	--	2	73	$ 8.00
Beulah	L. B. Boyette, J. W. Woodard xStephen Radford	3	--	--	--	--	8	106	12.00
Contentnea	D. A. Thompson, W. C. Boyette, Offie Smith	6	--	--	--	--	2	101	10.00
Cross Roads	C. L. Gurley, Andrew Brewer, E. P. Parrish x	--	--	1	--	--	--	30	11.75
Dudley	W. H. Burch, xWalter Crawford, xR. E. Fields	--	1	--	--	--	2	13	3.75
Goldsboro	W. H. Evans, D. C. Vanhoy, xH. A. Herring	--	3	--	--	--	4	31	8.00
Lower Black Creek	R. L. Lucas, S. P. Strickland, J. G. Mercer	6	--	--	--	--	4	84	8.00
Healthy Plains	Hilliard Boykin, G. C. Coleman, D. A. Fulghum	9	--	--	--	--	--	53	5.00
Memorial	xJ. D. Pate, xH. M. Woodard, M. R. Hooks	1	--	--	--	--	5	103	10.00
Mill Branch	xE. P. Weaver, Henry Adams, Johnnie Joyner	1	--	--	--	--	1	50	6.00
Nashville	G. W. Womble, Henry Whitfield, xD. J. Price	--	--	--	2	--	--	25	5.00
Peach Tree	xW. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, S. A. Walker	2	--	--	--	--	1	19	3.00
New Chapel	J. W. Sutten, C. A. Sasser, Andrew Gurley	--	--	--	--	--	1	30	11.00
Pittman's Grove	Lee Pope, J. T. Evans, C. R. Bridgers	3	--	--	5	--	2	25	5.00
Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, J. R. Powell, W. T. Brantley	2	--	--	--	--	2	65	10.00
Scotts	David Bryant, I. A. Lamm, J. H. Williamson	--	--	--	1	--	2	35	6.00
Upper Black Creek	J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, R. P. Kirby	16	6	--	--	--	5	98	10.00
White Oak	J. I. Reasons, xJ. M. Walston, xFrank Whitley	2	--	--	1	--	1	19	5.00
Wilson	xJ. W. Thorne, J. A. Stephenson, Z. D. Thomas	3	1	--	1	1	3	81	13.75
Elm City	A. M. Whitehead, Roscoe Page, J. J. Thorne	1	1	1	--	1	--	18	5.00
Little Vine	D. M. Morris, L. H. Hill, xR. N. Radford	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	5.75
Sappony	E. B. Barnes, C. M. Jones, W .M. Cockrell	2	--	--	--	--	3	45	5.00
Creeches	J. E. Creech, J. H. Creech, R. M. Hodge	--	--	--	--	1	1	49	5.00
	TOTAL	62	12	2	10	3	49	1162	172.

MINUTES OF THE

FIFTY-SECOND

ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Black Creek Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

UPPER BLACK CREEK

LUCAMA, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY

October 26, 27, 28, 1928

Proceedings

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 27, 28, 1928

1st. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. P. Tingle.

2nd. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. C. Hooks from the following text: Matthew 24:14.

3rd. The conference was opened with praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

4th. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator and Elder E. L. Cobb was chosen Clerk who called brother I. A. Lamm to his assistance.

5th. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6th. Elders F. W. Keene and I. R. Greathouse and J. P. Tingle were appointed to preach this afternoon and they used the following texts. F. W. K. Exod. 25:21, 22. I. R. G. Gal. 2:31, J. P. T., Jonaah, "Salvation is of the Lord."

7th. Brethren J. B. Murray and F. W. Boswell were appointed a committee on finance.

8th. Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for and read.

9th. Petitionary letters to join this association were called for.

10th. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations:

Contentnea, minutes Elders Joshua Mewborn, Jas Corbett, and J. P. Tingle.

Little River, minutes Elder E. F. Pierce, Brethren R. D. Langdon, J. F. Adams.

Kehukee, mintues, Brother E. P. Williamson.

Seven Mile, minutes, Brethren M. S. Byrd and W. P. Griffin, Eld. L. A. Johnson.

White Oak, Minutes, Elders Isaac Jones, W. W. Roberts and Bro. W. W. Quinn.

Mill Branch, Minutes, no messenger.
Baltimore, Minutes, no messenger.
Warwick, Minutes, no messenger.
Delaware, Minutes, no messenger.
Delaware River, Minutes, no messenger.
Staunton River, Minutes, no messenger.
Lower Country Line, Minutes, no messenger.
Upper Country Line, Minutes, Elders M. B. Martin, and F. W. Keene.

Salem, Minutes, no messenger.
Fisher's River, Minutes, no messenger.
Zion, Minutes, no messenger.
Mayo, Elder D. G. Staples.
Abbotts Creek, Minutes, Elder Sam McMillian.

Oconee, Minutes, no messenger.
Miami, Elder I. R. Greathouse.
Soldiers Creek, Elder J. C. Chester.

11th. Appointed our next session of the association to be held with the church at Creeches, to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in October 1929 at 11 o'clock. The introductory sermon to be preached by Elder J. C. Hooks, and Elder R. H. Boswell to be his alternate.

12th. The following messengers were appointed to visit the sister associations, that we correspond with.

Contentnea, Elders John Gardner, R. E. Adams, and J. T. Williams.

Kehukee, Elders R. H. Boswell, and R. E. Adams.

White Oak, Elders W. H. Schenck, J. T. Williams, R. H. Boswell.

Little River, Elder J. T. Williams, and Bro. D. A. Thompson.

Lower Country Line, Elders S. B. Denny, R. E. Adams, Brethren I. S. Davis, J. B. Murray.

Upper Country Line, Elders R. E. Adams, J. W. Wyatt, Bro. J. B. Murray.

Seven Mile, Elders W. H. Schenck, H. F. Hutchens, Bro. J. B. Murray.

Mill Branch, Elders H. F. Hutchens and R. H. Boswell.
Baltimore, Minutes.
Delaware, Minutes.
Delaware River, Minutes.
Warwick, Minutes.

Abbott's Creek, Brethren J. B. Murray, D. A. Thompson and Eld. R. H. Boswell.

Mayo, Elders W. H. Schenck, J. W. Wyatt.
Staunton River, Elders R. E. Adams, J. W. Wyatt.
Fisher's River, Minutes.

13th. The officers of this association together with deacons of this church were appinted a committee of arrangements.

14th. Elders Jas. Corbett, Joshua Mewborn, J. C. Chester, W. E. Grimes, were appointed to preach Saturday morning and they used the following texts, J. S. Lamentations 5:1, J. M. 9th Chap. Matthew few verses, J. C. C. Psalms 106-3, E. W. G. John 14-18.

Elders A. D. Hancock 1st. Peter 2nd verse, E. F. Pearce, "Return O Lord and look down from Heaven and visit this Vine" preached Saturday afternoon.

Elders A. B. Denson, Exure Lee, D. G. Staples, Leonard Stephenson was appointed to preach Sunday morning and they used the following texts A. B. D. 1st Peter 1st. 22, 23, 24. E. L. Isaiah 53:1, D. G. S. Romans 8:31. L. H. S. 2nd Timothy 2:11. Elder N. H. Harrison preached Sunday afternoon, and used text John 4th:22, 23, 24.

15th. The messengers of the churches were called for and those that were present were inserted in the statistical table.

16th. The messengers that were appointed last year to visit sister associations were called on to report and those that failed to attend were excused.

17th. The committee on finance made the following report:

Received from churches		$157.00
Paid for minutes	$ 30.00	
Allowed Clerk for Services	15.00	
Given to visiting ministers	112.00	
Total	$157.00	$157.00

18th. The report was received and the committee discharged after the money was disposed of to the proper ones.

19th. In as much as all of our business is done on Friday it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association who failed to make his report can make his report to the Clerk any time during the meeting and the Clerk is authorized to record same in our minutes.

20th. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

21st. The Clerk is authorized to have printed 1500 copies of these minutes and distribute them among the churches and associations with whom we correspond and have one recorded on our Books.

22nd. The following brethren J. E. Johnson, J. S. Rogerson, and J. B. Boswell were appointed to preserve order during the services Saturday and Sunday.

23rd. Agreed that a committee of Elders J. C. Hooks, S. B. Denny, and E. L. Cobb be appointed to write resolutions of respect for the love and esteem of our brethren W. C. Boyette who was a member of our finance committee so long and Elder J. T. Spencer who has departed this life and gone home.

24th. Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community and other sections who so kindly prepared for and entertained us and that our moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

25th. After reading the minutes and approved the association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next session with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.
BROTHER I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS

WILLIAM CLAYTON BOYETTE

Brother William Clayton Boyette was born April 7, 1875 and was married to Martha Williamson in 1894, who survives him together with two sons and two daughters.

Brother Boyette united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Contentnea in Wilson county, July, 1900 and was ordained as deacon of said church in October, 1913, which office he filled with much honor to himself and to his church until his death which occurred March 18, 1927. In the death of Brother Boyette, his companion has lost a devoted husband, his children a loving father, his church a faithful deacon and the Black Creek

Association a useful officer.

Brother Boyette was one of Wilson County's most prominent and substantial citizens, having served as county commissioner for a number of years, and was President of the Planters Bank of this city. His wise and fatherly counsel will be greatly missed in this community.

Written by request of the Black Creek Association,

S. B. DENNY,
E. L. COBB
J. C. HOOKS

ELDER J. T. SPENCER

Elder J. T. Spencer was one of our beloved ministers holding his membership among the churches composing the Black Creek Association, and so far as we have learned he was a peace loving man and was held in high regard to that end, by our brethren.

Brother Spencer fell asleep some two years ago and we trust our loss was his eternal gain, for he had a good hope in the blessed Lord through grace. We pray the blessings of our God upon his loved ones he left behind.

S. B. DENNY,
E. L. COBB
J. C. HOOKS

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES AND THE TIME OF HOLDING YEARLY MEETING

1. Aycock's—Pastor Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk W. L. Minshew, Black Creek, N. C., Sepember 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September, 3rd Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; October, 3rd Sunday.

4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C., September 4th, Sunday.

5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk G. G. Creech, Kenly, N. C., August 1st Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Greenville, N. C.; clerk, Carrie Aycock, Fremont, N. C., August, 3rd Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1; clerk, W. H. Evans, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1st. Sunday.

8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, W. F. Boykin, Blackstone, Va., assistant clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C., August 2nd Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., clerk, R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C., September 2nd Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; clerk, Larry Aycock, Kenly N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder A. B. Denson, Rocky Mount, N. C.; clerk, E. P. Weaver, Sharpsburg, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, R. F. D. No. 2, September 4th Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1, clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 2nd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C. clerk, Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. clerk J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1, September 3rd Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, October 1st Sunday.

19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. S. Rogerson, Kenly, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; clerk J. J. Eason, Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, None; clerk, J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.

23. Litle Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; July 2nd Sunday.

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6.	Dudley	W. H. Burch, Mount Olive, N. C.	16
7.	Goldsboro	W. H. Evans, Goldsboro, N. C.	30
8.	Healthy Plains	Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C.	55
9.	Lower Black Creek	R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C.	90
10.	Memorial	Larry Aycock, Kenly, N. C.	90
11.	Mill Branch	E. P. Weaver, Sharpsburg, N. C.	50
12.	Nashville	L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C.	32
13.	New Chapel	Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. 1	27
14.	Peach Tree	S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N. C.	20
15.	Pittsman Grove	Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.	25
16.	Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.	70
17.	Sappony	J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C., R. 1	43
18.	Scotts	I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C.	40
19.	Upper Black Creek	J. S. Rogerson, Kenly, N. C.	100
20.	White Oak	E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.	22
21.	Wilson	J. W. Thorn, Wilson, N. C.	80
22.	Elm City	J. J. Thorn, Elm City, N. C.	20
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Seven Mile	Eld. W. G. Turner	Dunn, N. C.	10
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	15
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam, Jr.	Altamahaw, N.C.	18
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Salem	W. L. Teague	Winston-Salem, N. C.	10
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CHURCHES AND DATES WHEN ASSOCIATIONS WERE HELD WITH THEM

1.	Aycocks	1903-1924
2.	Beulah	1902-1917
3.	Contentnea	1912
4.	Creeches	1913
5.	Cross Roads	1911-1916
6.	Dudley	
7.	Goldsboro	1888
8.	Healthy Plains	1915
9.	Lower Black Creek	1905-1922
10.	Memorial	1904-1919
11.	Mill Branch	1911
12.	Nashville	1909-1920
13.	New Chapel	1891
14.	Peach Tree	1910
15.	Pittman's Grove	1921
16.	Sandy Grove	1923
17.	Sappony	1926
18.	Scott's	1908
19.	Upper Black Creek	1914-1928
20.	White Oak	1907-1927
21.	Wilson	1906
22.	Little Vine	
23.	Elm City	1925

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the persons who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association wihout liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or application than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak on the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep in order the rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrespective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed, their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage for the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the

churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this Association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13.—Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power; 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advise in matters of difficulty; 4 to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this Association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any Association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9 the Association shall have the power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union .

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract, or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Name of Messengers	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
Aycock	S. H. Blow, W. A. Bogue, W. L. Minshew	4	--	--	--	--	3	74	$ 8.00
Beulah	J. W. Bailey, S. E. Woodard, A. B. Atkinson	--	2	--	--	--	4	98	10.00
Contentnea	F. W. Boswell, Al. Boswell, D. A. Thompson, Ira Lucas	4	1	--	--	1	4	98	10.00
Cross Roads	C. L. Gurley, Andrew Brewer, B. P. Parrish	--	--	--	--	--	1	24	7.50
Dudley	R. E. Fields, I. S. Davis, Carrie Aycock	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	3.00
Goldsboro	W. H. Evans , H. A. Herring, D. C. Vanhoy	--	--	--	--	--	--	28	5.00
Lower Black Creek	L. D. Mercer, M. L. Smith, R. L. Lucas	3	--	--	--	--	--	96	8.00
Healthy Plains	D. A. Fulghum, G. C. Coleman, Hillard Boykin	--	--	--	1	--	4	51	5.00
Memorial	Larry Aycock, W. E. Garris, G. M. Davis	2	--	--	--	--	4	96	8.00
Mill Branch	J. H. Adams, Johnnie Joyner, E. P. Weaver	--	--	--	--	--	1	48	6.00
Nashville	A. J. Price, J. H. W.Whitfield, J. E. Hocutt	1	1	--	--	--	--	27	5.00
Peach Tree	W. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, S. A. Walker,	--	--	--	--	3	--	17	3.00
New Chapel	W. R. Hines, Andrew Gurley, A. J. Smith	--	--	--	--	--	2	23	7.00
Pittmans Grove	Lee Pope, J. T. Evans, Barney Bass	--	--	1	--	--	1	23	5.00
Scotts	David Bryant, I. A. and S. A. Lamm, Walter Butts	3	--	--	2	--	--	35	6.00
Upper Black Creek	J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, J. R. Exum	2	2	2	1	2	3	106	10.00
White Oak	J. G. Owens, J. I. Reason, J. M. Walston	3	--	--	--	2	1	20	9.50
Wilson	J. A. Stephenson, W. H. Keaton, J. B. Barron, T. D. Thomas	1	1	1	2	--	1	80	12.00
Elm City	J. J. Thorn, A. M. Whitehead, W .B. Barnes	1	--	--	--	--	--	19	5.00
Little Vine	D. M. Morris, R. N. Radford, Elder J. W. Wyatt	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	5.00
Sappony	E. B. Barnes, W. N. Crocker, J. R. Baker	--	--	--	--	--	--	42	6.00
Creeches	G. G. Creech, Troy Barnes, J. H. Creech	--	--	1	--	--	1	50	8.00
Sandy Grove	J. B. Murry, W. T. Brantly, L. G. Brantly	1	--	--	--	1	--	70	5.00
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Proceedings

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 1929

1st The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. W. Gardner.

2nd The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. H. Boswell, and from the following text: St. John 13:34, 35.

3rd The conference was opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. P. Tingle.

4th On motion Elder G. W. Boswell was chosen Moderator, and Elder S. B. Denny Asst. and Elder E. L. Cobb was chosen clerk, who called to his assistance Brother I. A. Lamm.

5th On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6th Elders Leonard Raper and E. F. Pearce were appointed to preach this afternoon, and they used the following texts: L. R. Gen. 45:14, 15; E. F. P., St. John 1:1.

7th Brethren J. B. Murray and J. N. Rogerson were appointed a committee on finance.

8th Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for and read.

9th Petitionary letters to join this association were called for.

10th Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations.

Contentnea—Minutes Eld. J. P. Tingle and Bro. J. Frank Brown.

Little River—Minutes, Elders E. F. Pearce, L. H. Stephenson and others.

Kehukee—Minutes, Elder Leonard Raper.

Seven Mile—Minutes Brethren M. S. Byrd, Y. P. Weaver and others.

White Oak—Minutes.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Baltimore—Minutes.

Warwick—Minutes.

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Delaware—Minutes.
Delaware River—Minutes.
Staunton River—Minutes.
Lower Country Line—Minutes, Brother F. D. Long.
Upper Country Line—Minutes, Elder T. A. Stanfield
Salem—Minutes.
Fisher's River—Minutes.
Mayo—
Abbott's Creek—

11th Appointed our next session of the association to be held with the church at Wilson to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in October 1930, at 11:00 o'clock. The introductory sermon to be preached by Elder S. B. Denny, and Elder J. T. Collier to be his alternate.

12th The following brethren were appointed to visit the sister associations that we correspond with:

Contentnea—Brethren J. B. Boswell, J. R. Exum, J. W. Ellis and Eld. T. H. B. Pridgen.

Kehukee—Elders S. B. Denny and J. T. Williams.

White Oak—Elders J. W. Wyatt and J. T. Collier.

Little River—Eld. J. W. Gardner and Brother G. C. Coleman.

Lower Country Line—Elders J. W. Wyatt and S. B. Denny.

Upper Country Line—Elders J. W. Wyatt and J. T. Collier.

Seven Mile— Eld. J. W. Wyatt and Brother J. W. Ellis.

Mill Branch—Elders J. T. Williams and J. T. Collier.
Baltimore—Minutes.
Delaware—Minutes.
Delaware River—Minutes.
Warwick—Minutes.

Abbotts Creek—Brethren J. B. Murray, D. A. Thompson and Eld. J. T. Collier.

Mayo—Minutes.
Staunton River—Elder J. W. Wyatt.
Fisher's River—Minutes.

13th The officers of this association together with the deacons of this church were appointed a committee of arrangements.

14th Elders J. P. Tingle, T. A. Stanfield, T. C. West,

W. G. Turner, and J. E. Mewborn, preached on Saturday.

Elders J. S. Corbett, W. E. Grimes, Xure Lee, J. L. Ross, L. H. Stephenson, and B. S. Cowan, preached on Sunday. (My record of texts got misplaced in my office therefore could not furnish text.)

15th The messengers of the churches were called for and those that were not present, were marked absent.

16th The messengers that were appointed last year to visit sister associations were called upon to report, and those that failed to attend were excused.

17th The committee on finance made the following report:

Received from churches		$153.50
Paid for minutes	$ 30.00	
Allowed Clerk for services	15.00	
Given visiting ministers	105.50	
Grand total	$153.50	$153.50

18th The report was received and the committee discharged after the money was distributed to the proper ones.

19th Inasmuch as all our business is transacted on Friday it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association, who failed to make his report, can make his report to the Clerk any time during the association, and the Clerk is authorized to record same in our minutes.

20th The Clerk is authorized to have 1500 copies of these minutes printed, and distribute them among the churches and associations with whom we correspond, and have one recorded on our books.

21st Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

22nd The following brethren, Walter Parrish and J. R. Hare, were appointed to preserve order during the services Saturday and Sunday.

23rd Agreed that the letter of Elder S. B. Denny of the death of our esteemed brother and Elder J. C. Hooks be made a part of our minutes, and recorded therein.

24th Agreed that Elder S. B. Denny and E. L. Cobb

write a notice of the death of our brother and Elder R. E. Adams to be placed in our records.

25th Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community and other sections who so kindly prepared for and entertained us, and that our moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

26th After reading the minutes and approved the association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for the next session with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELDER G. W. BOSWELL, Moderator.
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.
BRO. I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

Whereas, it has pleased God in His wise Providence to remove from our midst our beloved and faithful Moderator, Elder J. C. Hooks, we, the Black Creek Association in session with the church at Creech's in Johnston County, Oct. 25, 1929, do hereby bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, knowing that "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

Therefore in the death of Elder Hooks, this Association has lost one of its ablest gifts and moderator, and a man who not only preached with his tongue, but with his walk and daily conversation, demonstrating the fact that he had been with Jesus and had learned of the meek and lowly Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. May the life of this Godly man be an example to the church, and may each and every member of this Association endeavor to emulate his example by an orderly walk and a Godly conversation.

Whereas it has pleased God in His wise Providence to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Elder R. E. Adams, we, the Black Creek Association in session with the church at Creech's, Johnston County, N. C., do hereby bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Brother Adams was a faithful and loyal member of the Wilson Primitive Baptist church and took great delight in mingling with the brethren and singing hymns of praise. He was highly respected not only by his church, but by friends and neighbors upon the outside, and a number of people since his passing have referred to his quiet, unassuming, honest life and dealings with his fellowman. Elder Adams served as pastor and substitute of several churches in Eastern Carolina.

E. L. COBB

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CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES AND THE TIME OF HOLDING YEARLY MEETING

1. Aycock's—No pastor, Clerk W. G. Smith, Fremont, N. C., September, 4th Sunday.

2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September, 3rd Sunday.

3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; October, 3rd Sunday.

4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C., September 4th Sunday.

5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk, G. G. Creech, Kenly, N. C., August, 4th Sunday.

6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder W. H. Hines, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, Carrie Potts, Mt. Olive, N. C., August, 3rd Sunday.

7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; clerk, B. F. Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1st, Sunday.

8.Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, W. F. Boykin, Blackstone, Va., assistant clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C., August, 2nd Sunday.

9. Lower Black Creek—No pastor; clerk, R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C., September, 2nd Sunday.

10. Memorial—No pastor; clerk, M. R. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; October 1st Sunday.

11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder A. B. Denson, Rocky Mount, N. C.; clerk, Alford Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.

12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, R. F. D. No. 2, September, 4th Sunday.

13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September, 2nd Sunday.

14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N .C.; August 2nd Sunday.

15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C. clerk, Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.; July, 2nd Sunday.

16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk J. B. Murray, Middlesex, N. C., August, 1st Sunday.

17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1, September 3rd Sunday.

18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, October 2nd Sunday.

19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. S. Rogerson, Kenly, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.

20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, J. J.. Eason, Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.

21. Wilson—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk W. E. Turner, Wilson, N. C.; August, 4th Sunday.

22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.

23 Little Vine—Pastor, Eld. J. .W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; July 2nd Sunday.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

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19. Upper Black Creek ---------- 1914-1928
20. White Oak ---------- 1907-1927
21. Wilson ---------- 1906
22. Little Vine ----------
23. Elm City ---------- 1925

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator and the Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one person shall speak at a time who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

Art. 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and no wise reflect on the persons who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfection, but shall fairly state the case and matter as near as he can, so as to convey his light and ideas.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association wtihout liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No person shall rise or speak more than three times on one subject without liberty from the Association.

Art. 8. No member of this Association shall have the liberty time of a public speech.

Art. 9. No member of this Association shall address another in any term or appellation than that of brother.

Art. 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association require.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak on the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep the order and rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed, their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the arising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this Association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power: 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4, to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this Association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any Association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9, the Association shall have the power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union.

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Name of Messengers	Baptised	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Dis. by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Members.	Contribution
Aycock ----------1	W. L. Menshew, Thomas Smith, J. W. Davis ----------	3	0	0	0	0	3	72	$ 8.00
Beulah ----------2	J. W. Bailey, J. W. Woodard, A. B. Atkinson --------	2	2	0	0	1	5	**96**	**8.00**
Contentnea -------3	D. A. Thompson, Offie Smith, Ira Lucas ----------	6	0	0	2	0	2	99	10.00
Cross Roads -------4	Andrew Brewer, J. W. Brady, C. L. Gurley ----------	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	5.00
Dudley ----------5	R. E. Fields, Walter Crawford ----------	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	2.00
Goldsboro ---------6	W. H. Evans, H. A. Herring, D. C. Vanhoy ----------	0	0	0	1	0	0	28	5.00
Lower Black Creek 7	W. L. Smith, J. G. Mercer, R. L. Lucas ----------	0	0	0	0	1	3	92	8.00
Healthy Plains ----8	Hilliard Boykin, G. C. Coleman, D. A. Fulghum-------	0	0	0	0	0	4	47	5.00
Memorial ----------9	Larry Aycock, H. M. Woodard, G. B. Coddington ------	1	0	0	2	0	2	92	8.00
Mill Branch ------10	Henry Adams, Johnnie Joyner, S. R. Braswell --------	0	0	0	0	0	1	46	6.00
Nashville --------11	J. H. Whitfield, Eld. J. E. Hocutt, L. G. Edwards -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	5.00
Peach Tree ------12	W. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, S. A. Walker ----------	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	3.00
New Chapel ------13	Elder J. W. Gardner, C. H. Sasser, Andrew Gurley ----	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	7.00
Pittman's Grove --14	Lee Pope, C. R. Bridgers, J. T. Evans ----------	6	0	0	0	1	0	27	5.00
Scotts ----------15	David Bryant, J. H Williamson, I. A. Lamm----------	3	0	0	0	0	3	35	6.00
Upper Black Creek 16	J. B. Boswell, W. R. Barnes, W. C. Waddell ----------	4	0	1	0	2	1	107	10.00
White Oak --------17	J. W. Thorne, J. I. Reason, J. G. Owens----------	5	2	0	0	2	0	25	7.50
Wilson ----------18	Eld. S. B. Denny, J. B. Barron, J. A. Stephenson ------	3	2	0	4	0	1	80	10.00
Elm City ---------19	A. M. Whitehead, Roscoe Page, J. J. Thorn ----------	1	0	1	0	1	1	19	5.00
Little Vine -------20	Eld. J. W. Wyatt, L. H. Hill, D. M. Morris ----------	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	3.00
Sappony ----------21	E. B. Barnes, W. N. Cockrell, J. R. Baker ----------	4	0	0	0	1	0	46	6.00
Creeches ----------22	W. A. Parish, J. H Creech, Troy Brown ----------	0	0	0	2	0	1	47	11.00
Sandy Grove ------23	J. B. Murray, W. T. Brantley, M. C. Brantley ----------	4	0	0	0	0	2	72	10.00

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